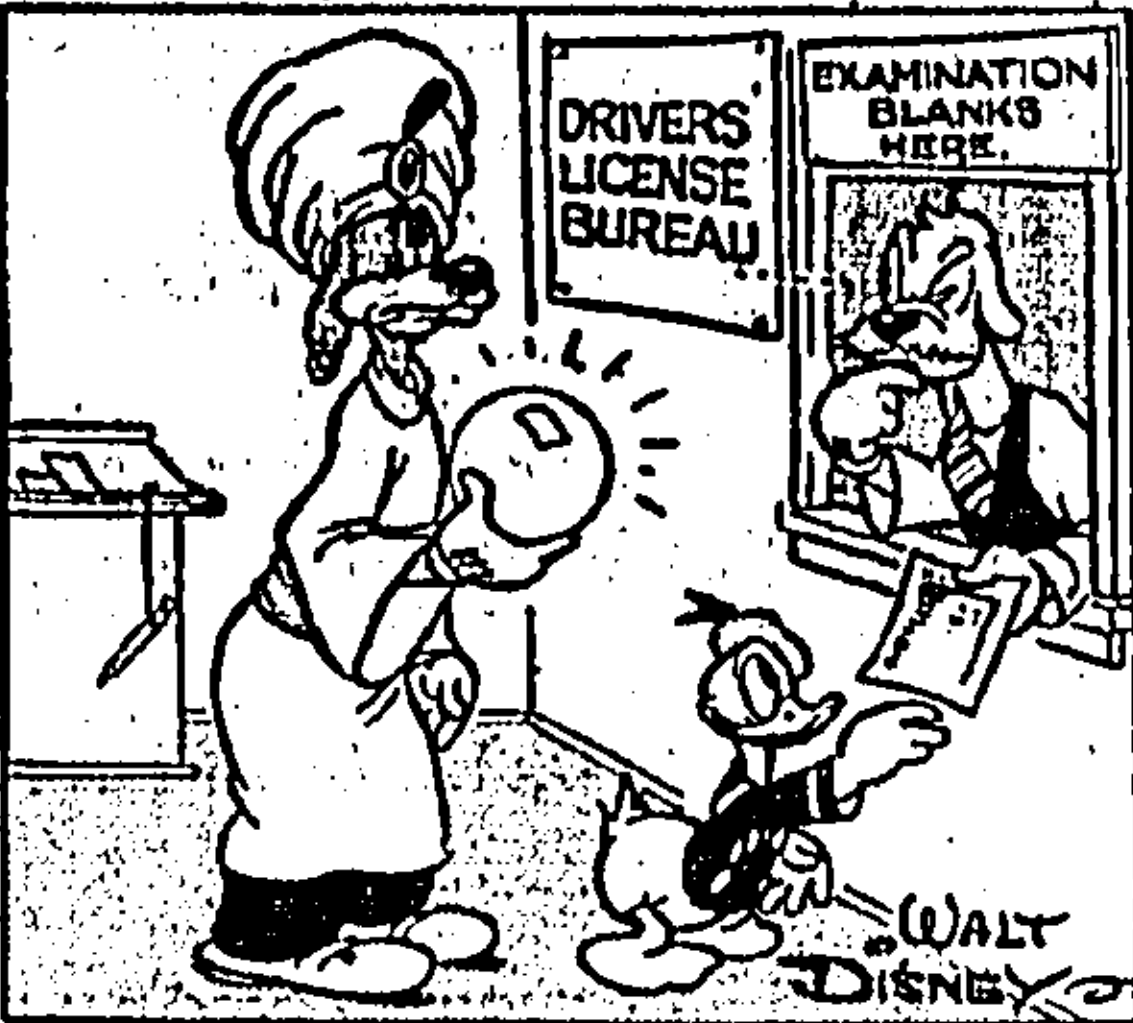


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KING ON TOUR OF SECRET R.A.F. BASES

By A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE

The King, recently, concluded a two days' tour of R.A.F. stations in the North of England and the Midlands.

He received at first hand accounts of bombing and leaflet raids on Germany from men who took part in them, and created an historic precedent when he decorated five men in an aerodrome hangar.

After the tour, the King said, "I am proud to have met such men." Among those to whom he spoke were:

Pilots who bombed Cuxhaven early in the war;
The first men to fly over enemy Berlin and Potsdam;

A South African pilot who sank a U-Boat.

His Majesty also talked to the pilots who flew blind for six hours in Arctic weather conditions on the first reconnaissance over Southern Germany; and to other members of the Auxiliary Air Force—who act as escorts to convoys, and who have already flown nearly 2,000,000 miles in their air watch over the North Sea for U-boats, enemy planes and drifting mines.

He inspected every type of aircraft in the coastal fighter and bomber commands. More than 1,200 men were assembled at the last station he visited, and on leaving he drove for a mile through cheering ranks. Everywhere the King asked questions eagerly. At the end he expressed admiration of all he had seen, and commented on the splendid appearance of the equipment.

'Plane Riddled With Shot'
The award of decorations in a hangar in England was an emphatic reminder of the new condition of war brought about by aircraft operating to enemy country and over the sea from bases in Great Britain. The "war field" now includes Great Britain.

Here were men who were engaged in air warfare every day, and there was at least one grim reminder of the fact in the form of a twin-engined plane riddled with shot and shell splinter holes. Yet not one of its crew was struck.

Quiet, impressive dignity marked the investiture. In a huge hangar the personnel of the station, two members of the Women's A.A.F. among them, were paraded, making three sides of a square.

The King's arrival was announced by two R.A.F. trumpeters sounding the Royal salute. The four officers and a sergeant who were to be decorated stood out in front. His Majesty, in blue as Marshal of the Royal Air Force, stood by a small table on which the decorations had been placed.

An officer read the citations, and as he ended each citation named advanced a few paces, halted, and saluted. He advanced five more paces, and the King placed the decoration on his tunic and spoke to him. The recipient of the medal then stepped back and saluted.

Gunner's Fight With Flames
Some of the men who made the flight on Southern Germany were only returned from France when His Majesty arrived at their station. In quiet tones, they described the dangers they had encountered and surmounted.

One pilot told him how, on the return flight, after vainly seeking better weather at every height from 300 to 17,000 feet, one of his engines failed. He finally decided to "abandon ship" at 2,500 feet, and gave the order to his crew of four to "jump."

Three did so but, unknown to the pilot, the fourth, the rear gunner, was trapped in his cockpit. The pilot jumped, and the machine crashed into the side of a hill and burst into flames. The gunner, despite loose wire entangled round his neck, fought his way out of the wreckage.

Not knowing whether they were in enemy territory or not, the pilot and crew made their way separately through the night to meet again, all five of them, within an hour, in a French village.

Their first thought was to knock up the village post office and send a message to the R.A.F. headquarters in France, stating their position and that they had achieved their objective, but making no mention of their perilous experience.

The pilot of a second machine taking part in the raid found one engine and caught fire. Neither his front nor his tail gunner replied to

RUMOUR

In the King's Navy there is a ship named Rodney (she's a battleship; 33,900 tons). In the King's Navy there is an officer named Rodney. In the King's Navy (where they have a language all their own) a man who has "gone sick" is "sunk."

A fellow-officer of the Officer Rodney walked into the mess the other day and said "Old Rodney's sunk." Someone who didn't know the language of the King's Navy overheard, took it to be Ship Rodney instead of Officer Rodney, and started the rumour that Ship Rodney had been sunk.

MORAL: Beware of all things you do not understand. Beware of rumours and rumour-mongers. There's a war on. The Navy have not lost any kind of craft since Royal Oak was sunk.

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(Piano) Sixth Air with Variations (de Beriot), Violin and Piano.

8.30 Scarlatti—The Good Humoured Ladies—Ballet: London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.

8.45 Raymond Newell (Baritone) and Eva Turner (Soprano): For England (Brandon and Murray), Life's Great Sunset (Adams), Raymond Newell (Baritone) with Instrumental Accompaniment; Homing (Salmon and Del Riego), Love Thee (Grieg), Eva Turner (Soprano) with Piano: The Rivetter (Sievler and Arlen), Where's The Sergeant? (Longstaffe), Raymond Newell (Baritone) with Orchestra.

9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table".

9.45 Variety with Renee Hodston, John Henry and "Blossom", Clapham and Dwyer, and Others.

10.30 London Relay—"Entertainment Please". An item of humour, songs, American slang, etc.

11.0 London Relay—"In England Now".

11.15 Close down.

EX-KAISER HEARS WAR NEWS

AMSTERDAM.—The ex-Kaiser is following closely the international situation. His programme of work has been changed so that he can listen in to news, including the British radio. It is unlikely that he hopes to return to Germany.

Nazi Governor of Poland



Nazi leader Forster reviewing German guards in Poland, where he has been appointed Governor of a conquered country.

"I See They're Potato Washed"

"How to wash" broadcast to the German people recently told them:—

"Put the peel of potatoes into a pall of water and let them soak overnight. This solution can be used for washing your laundry."

"For delicate fabrics use ivory leaves boiled in water."

REASON (or perhaps it is not necessary): Germany is short of soap.

SCIENTIFIC MONKEY BUSINESS

EAGER scientists, led by Professor Julian Huxley, spent hours recently giving nasty drinks to monkeys at the London Zoo. They are trying to solve some subtle problems about heredity.

The monkeys made faces. Professor Julian Huxley and his colleagues watched.

The drinks were carefully graded in varying degrees of bitterness. Most of the monkeys spat them out.

Some got angry and went away muttering under their breath.

A few lapped up their mixtures with pleasure.

Results show that chimpanzees are just like human beings. One out of four has a poor sense of taste. This defect is hereditary.

The young chimp Jacqueline is a "non-taster." So are her parents Jacky and Fifi.

Some day taste tests may be used to supplement blood-group tests in paternity cases.

Dear Doubtful

Experiments were also tried on two of the Zoo's baby deer. The results were negative.

"We are not sure whether they tasted anything at all," an official said.

Professor Blakeslee, of Carnegie Institute, North Carolina, has done a lot of thinking about taste, and has come to the conclusion that it may frequently be the cause of matrimonial quarrels.

If the wife is a "non-taster," violent arguments may ensue about Monday's dinner.

We have still a lot to learn from monkeys.

LUXURY—WITH A STING

This Cruise Liner Is Dangerous

A 15,000-ton luxury liner, on whose decks cruise passengers not long ago were dancing and playing tennis and quolls, is almost ready to teach enemy raiders a lesson in warfare.

She is being transformed into an armed merchant cruiser to deal with enemy raiders above or below the seas.

I stood to-day on her pleasure deck, where the black-and-white tiled swimming pool still stands, and saw shell-racks where there were deck-quoit courts marked out, says a correspondent.

From her sides pointed the menacing barrels of powerful guns. Below, the first-class dining saloon was divided in two, to form the ward-room and gunroom for the latest of his Majesty's ships.

Rifle Racks Everywhere

A mess deck and a recreation room for petty officers and men have been set up in the tourist quarters.

Rifle racks and alarm signals, which will sound when "action stations" are ordered, are in every part of the ship. On the decks are piles of splinter mats which will be put in position in the vulnerable parts to guard against shell and bomb fragments.

This is only one of a good number of big merchant vessels that have been fitted out as "armed" merchant cruisers to form a new defensive squadron for the British Navy.

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Simplified English

In almost every country in the world there is a continually increasing number of students of the English language. It is already the predominating tongue, and from present indications we may assume that it is likely to become the universal language of international intercourse. It is the language of the Government of more than 600,000,000 persons.

English is not an easy language to learn, and its difficulties subject it to much misuse and to misconceptions as to the meaning of many of its words and phrases. To simplify and to make it easier to learn, many systems have been devised by enthusiasts and experts. One of these systems, Basic English, has been widely adopted; but Basic English has not been free from criticism. Some authorities have praised it highly; others have hotly condemned it.

In order to arrive at some definite conclusion on the matter, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, recently appointed a committee of experts to examine methods of teaching simplified English to persons who do not speak the language. The relative merits of various methods now available will be assessed by the committee and recommendations will be made.

Such recommendations will be extremely useful to the British Council, the semi-official organization concerned with establishing cultural contacts with other countries. Among its other activities the British Council has helped to establish British Institutes abroad. Such an institute recently founded in Athens was originally planned to accommodate 400 students. On the opening day it was besieged by 8,000 students clamouring for admission; and enlargement was arranged. In Bucharest the British Institute has 2,000 students. And as all these students are keen to master the English language, a simplified system of teaching will be invaluable, both to the Council and to the students themselves.



PEACE: "GO AWAY, YOU'VE BEEN DRINKING."

HITLER has spoken, but his word means NOTHING!

by Arthur Greenwood

(Deputy-Leader of the Opposition.)

NOW that Hitler has declared himself, it is as well to remind ourselves of the march of events.

China, Abyssinia, Spain, Austria, Czechoslovakia, and Memelland were all the victims of aggression before the outbreak of the present war.

Long before Hitler invaded Poland, European, and, indeed, world opinion, was sick at heart of "smash and grab" raids. Europe was littered not only with broken nations, but with Hitler's broken promises.

It became increasingly clear that a point would be reached at which Britain and France, however reluctantly, would have to call a halt to further inroads on liberty.

Munich, the last desperate gamble of the apostles of appeasement, marked the end of a dishonourable chapter of European history. The entry of German troops into Prague on March 15, this year turned a leaf, and

marked the opening of a new chapter, entitled "The End of Aggression."

Europe knew in its heart—and the main defenders of its liberties, Britain and France—knew also that attempts to buy off future acts of aggression by condoning the latest act would mean the final surrender of freedom.

When Poland was attacked, in spite of our firm assertions, Hitler still thought that he could pursue his old technique and "get away with it" without challenge.

He found his mistake too late. Not only was patience exhausted, but pride and honour were at stake. What was even more important and vital, the threat to liberty everywhere was so obvious it had to be contested.

In defiance of British and French declarations, and despising

democratic opinion throughout the world, Hitler made the war.

The united forces of two of the greatest Powers in the world—Germany and Russia—crushed Poland. Further "diplomatic" advances have taken place since.

What the joint plans of Hitler and Stalin may be is their secret, and I do not propose to speculate.

What I am concerned about is the state of Europe to-day. The body of Poland has been rent asunder, though her spirit lives.

The Baltic States, so-called in the North of Europe, are being brought under domination. The Scandinavian States are apprehensive. The Balkan States in the south are uncertain. Switzerland, Holland and Belgium fear the thrust of the Dictator.

They have hearkened unto Hitler's call to "peace," but without hope in their hearts.

Austrian and Czech Social Democrats, trade unionists, and Co-operators heard the call, but it was drowned by the cries of their murdered and mutilated comrades.

The United States of America listened and found no note of sorrow for the past or sincerity for the future.

Our ally, France, wedded to "Liberty, Fraternity and Equality," heard Hitler's words and found no comfort in them.

Britain and the Dominions beyond the seas, and India, with a yearning for a freedom she cannot expect from the Hitler regime, heard the declaration. All alike were dismayed by Hitler's complete

lack of understanding of our unshakable determination to right, so far as possible, the wrongs of the past, as the essential basis of the world of the future.

It is not that mankind does not seek peace. In every fibre of its being it aches for peace. But there has been no peace in Europe since Hitler began his war against democracy. Every struggling and imperfect democracy working its painful way to the realisation of its ideals knows that Nazidom is its enemy.

Peace can come, and come quickly, when Hitler realises that the contributions great and noble Germans—and others—have brought to the advance of freedom in the world are not to be destroyed, but must be allowed to flourish.

There is no recognition in Hitler's speech of this eternal determination that freedom must live and grow.

But there is another reason why his address struck no responsive chord in the world. He has broken his word too often. One could catalogue his promises and the actions which have followed.

In the early days of his dictatorship—a little more than six years ago—he declared that "the German people had no thought of invading any country."

Since then he has been more specific. He said three years ago that he had "no territorial demands to make in Europe."

A little more than a year ago he assured Mr. Chamberlain, after having broken his previous pledges, that he had "no more territorial problems in Europe."

What he said last Friday must be assessed in the light of past words and deeds. He spoke as a victor to the vanquished in words which the world does not and cannot trust.

He assumes that the misery he has caused is right and that it will be forgotten. The crucifixion of the human spirit is the price of its liberty.

But it will not be forgotten. It is the outward expression of mankind's determination—at whatever cost—to keep what is holy and makes life worth while.

THE ONE IMPORTANT THING

MOST Scots people know that Calgary is a city of about 80,000 lying on the edge of the Rocky Mountains in Alberta, which took its name from the "West Highlands of Scotland," and has always had a strong Scottish element in its population.

This Scottish element is at the present time very definitely represented in the Calgary police force from its Chief downwards, so much so that it is on record that the Mayor of the City, a witty Ulsterman, was once studying the names on the roll of the police, and finding amongst the "Mac's," the "Ritchies," and other obviously Scots names, one representative of the well-known English family of "Smith," demanded of the Chief-Constable an explanation of "how this foreigner got into the force."

It happened, then, that on a certain Saturday in early spring the Police Court in Calgary was in session. The case before the Court was not an outstandingly serious one. It arose out of an ordinary motor car collision, but it was being keenly fought.

The door leading from the police quarters into the Court opened, and the Chief of Police, a fine, upstanding native of Dumfriesshire, with a highly honourable record both in the War and the police service, entered the Court. He walked up to the Bench, handed the Magistrate a folded slip of paper, and went out again.

The Magistrate, a native of the Highlands and a graduate of Edinburgh University, looked at the slip of paper, folded it again, and beckoned to the Court. Orderly Sergeant, a white-haired veteran of the South African War, and incidentally the author of several very successful

novels based on his experience with the famous North-West Mounted Police of Canada.

"Show that to the Inspector," said the Magistrate, handing the slip to the sergeant.

The Inspector of police, who began life in the service of the Caledonian Railway near Glasgow, took the paper, read it, and the faintest glimmer of smile lighted his face. He in turn handed it to a constable sitting near to him, likewise a good Scotsman, and then it travelled round a little circle of police waiting to give their evidence in cases due to be heard later on. Almost without exception they were Scotsmen born.

Each man looked briefly at the slip of paper, and then passed it on. Not even a whisper was exchanged. Not a word was said openly. The space for the public in the Court was crowded as usual with spectators. They saw the paper passing from the Magistrate to the police, and concluded that it had reference to some routine matter of procedure. The motor car accident trial proceeded on its way and engrossed attention.

Yet to those who had read the slip of paper, and had understanding hearts, it was no trilling routine notice that had been given. Into the somewhat dismal Courtroom of the Canadian city had stolen across five thousand miles of land and sea the faint, far-off, thrilling echo of a great roar of triumph going up from 180,000 Scottish throats in a huge assembly gathered round a stretch of smooth green sward in distant Glasgow, for on the slip of paper there had been written just four words taken from the morning radio news broadcast: "Scotland, 2; England, 0." O. H. Book.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"—and I became terribly frightened when I heard someone say there was no pain or discomfort in this sort of trouble—those are my symptoms exactly!"

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Petty Officer's Fatal Fall

A tragic accident resulting in the death of a popular member of the Royal Navy occurred in Hongkong yesterday morning. The victim was Petty Officer William Long, of one of His Majesty's ships now in harbour. Petty Officer Long was walking on the wall of the dry dock when he lost his footing and fell to the bottom of the dock, sustaining fatal injuries. He was immediately picked up and taken to the Royal Naval Hospital, where he died some hours after admission, despite every care. He had sustained multiple injuries to all parts of the body, including fractured limbs and a fractured skull. Petty Officer Long was a native of Portsmouth and had a long and distinguished career in the Royal Navy. He was very popular with his shipmates. The funeral takes place at 10 a.m. to-day from the Royal Hospital.

GUARDSMEN IN ACTION

Tin Hats Replace The Bushies (By WEBB MILLER)

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, Nov. 20 (UP).—One of the famous guards regiments which thousands of tourists have seen parade in London occupies to-day some of the first-line French blockhouses. The picturesque, towering "bushies" the men wore in London have been replaced by tin helmets. The helmets are covered by ugly, olive-green gunny-sacking to prevent their glinting in the sun—should the sun ever shine.

Commanders of the regiment include Lord Frederick Cambridge, cousin of King George and nephew of the Queen Mother Mary. Other members of the British royal family in France include the Duke of Gloucester, Viscount Gort and the Duke of Windsor.

Muddy Ally
One useful ally to the Allied armies has been the persistent rain, which has converted the countryside into a quagmire. But the drenching showers have also been unpleasant. They have filled the newly-dug trenches with yellow water and forced soldiers and correspondents to plod through cabbage and beet fields deep in mud, large chunks of which have stuck to the boots.

Fortunately, almost all the British are now in comfortable billets—farmhouses, barns, evacuated schools, etc. The roads throughout this region are well-paved, often with French cobblestones.

No Bickering This Time

Capital And Labour Work Harmoniously

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the wage advances recently received by several million wage-earners are a striking testimony to the joint collective agreement of employers and employees who have arrived at mutually satisfactory terms without Government or strikes.

The advances mean an improvement of real wages owing to the price-fixing of a wide range of goods.

New Co-operation

Examples of the co-operation of Labour and the Administration are the joint Advisory Council, consisting of representatives of the Trade Union Congress and the Confederation of Employers, and the appointment of a Trade Union adviser to the Ministry of Shipping and four members of the T.U.C. General Council to advise the Ministry of Food. It is noted that simultaneous action is taken by the French Government to stabilize wages.

WAR MINISTER ENTERTAINS

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha has returned by air from a visit to France. Before leaving, he entertained M. Edouard Daladier (French Premier), General Gamelin (Allied Commander-in-Chief), General Sir Edmund Ironside (British Chief of Staff), and other prominent Anglo-French leaders at a luncheon, and also attended a discussion at the Ministry of War.

Subsequently Mr. Hore-Belisha informed "Reuters" that he had had "some most useful talks."

Home Trade Increases!

Astonishing Figures Despite The War

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the September setback in seaborne trade was due to commercial uncertainty and the sinkings of ships while unprotected, scattered along the ocean trade routes.

The convoy system and the increasing offensive by the Royal Navy have resulted in a large reduction of sinkings and the restoration of confidence.

Hence the British imports in October increased nearly £12,000,000 and exports £1,500,000.

Defying The U-Boats
The ocean-going tonnage of the British Mercantile Marine at present consists of about 18,500,000 tons in ships over 500 tons.

Despite requisitioning by the Government Department, nearly 90 per cent. of this tonnage remains engaged in purely mercantile work.

The small results of the German U-boat campaign are demonstrated by the fact that nearly 90 per cent. of British imports are arriving safely in British ports, and that the total losses of British mercantile tonnage in all causes during the war amount to less than three-quarters of one per cent. of the total ocean-going tonnage.

NAZIS SINK 14 SHIPS IN 9 DAYS

(Continued from Page 1.)

mines or enemy action in the North Sea. The latest addition is the British steamer, Pensilva, of 4,000 tons, whose crew are safe and have been landed.

The Pensilva was sunk by enemy action.

Dramatic Pictures
The British Press is full of the pathetic figures of the survivors of the Dutch liner, Simon Bolivar.

One photo shows two six-month old babies, whose parents are missing.

Another shows a Dutch woman and in any event Britain has nothing to gain from the mining of shipping routes used by her own and by neutral ships.

Furthermore no British mines were laid without full notification being given to both British and neutral shipping.

Brutal Methods
This, however, is more brutal. The submarine at least has a chance of distinguishing between belligerent and neutral ships, but the present campaign has resulted in the loss of five British ships and only three British vessels.

All of them are merchantmen. The German Press is telling the German public that British mines caused the disaster, but British mines have not been laid anywhere near where the Simon Bolivar was sunk.

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Mines Washed Up
Dozens of mines were washed up on the Belgian coast.

One exploded near Ostend and broke the windows of a military hospital three miles away.

It is considered unlikely that the Germans are using loose mines with a device which makes them harmless should they break away. This is required by International Law.

In this connection, the statement made to a Dutch newspaper by the Nazi Admiral Erich Raeder two weeks after the war began is recalled.

Germans, he said, intended to conform to the rules laid down by the Hague Convention concerning the laying of mines.

The Lies Grow
One also recalls Hitler's speech at the Reichstag on September 1 when he said: "I will not war against weak and defenceless ships."

The London "Daily Express" prints this and under it the German allegation that the disasters were caused by British mines.

The article was headed "The Lies Grow."

Simon Bolivar Casualties
LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The official list of the Simon Bolivar casualties gives the names of 84 missing and killed.

Casualty List Now 126
LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The casualty list in the Simon Bolivar sinking now totals 126.

Three hundred survivors are being cared for in England.

May Have To Blow Up Ship
LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—It may be necessary to blow up the Simon Bolivar, as she is in the line of traffic.

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AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The Managing Director of the Royal Dutch Steamship Company, owners of the Simon Bolivar, described the loss as the biggest the Company has ever sustained.

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AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—At the request of the Holland-American Company, the Dutch Legation in Berlin is instructed to protest against the inclusion of the Dutch liner, Voendam, in the latest German list of liners alleged to be armed against blockade by Britain.

The Germans recently issued a "Sinking on Sight" list of allegedly armed merchantmen.

Nazi Pilot Is Killed

Sequel To Exploit Over Holland

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The pilot of the German plane which crashed in Holland near the German frontier after being attacked by Dutch aircraft has been killed.

German planes have been infringing Dutch territory during the past two days, and it is now officially announced in Berlin that the pilot of a German plane was seriously wounded on Saturday when two Dutch fighters attacked him.

The German plane was attacked by a Dutch machine.

Shot Down From Ground
AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—It is now announced that the German military plane, which crashed in Holland, was shot down from the ground.

According to an unofficial version, frontier guards actually shot the pilot with rifles.

The "Handelsblad" learns that the German pilot, who was shot by the Dutch on Saturday, was badly wounded and reached German territory with great difficulty.

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GOOD WORK BY FRENCH NAVY
PARIS, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The French Navy has captured several thousand tons more of German shipping than it has lost.

The commander of a 710-ton survey ship is receiving special commendation for having made a dangerous but successful counter-attack against a U-boat.

INVENTORS GET BUSY

War Office Swamped With Ideas

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Nov. 21 (UP).—Great Britain's director of scientific research revealed to-day government receives hundreds of inventions and ideas each week—some of them useful but many of them humorously absurd.

One woman, he said, suggested that Adolf Hitler's "secret weapon" was a scheme to drop locusts enclosed in glass bowls over England in the summer-time to destroy agricultural crops.

One of the proposed inventions was an enormous magnet to disorganize the compasses of invading aircraft or ships. Another scheme was to drop gasoline behind the German lines and set fire to the country.

The director said plans for "death rays" arrive twice a week. Another plan was for a radio wave that would destroy airplanes and "seem to do everything but break the Ten Commandments."

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Campaign Plans For 1940

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20 (UP).—The Executive Committee of the Republican National Committee is scheduled to meet December 7 to draft 1940 campaign plans, which include an informal discussion for convocation of a 1940 Party Convention for the purpose of nominating a Presidential candidate.

It is understood that several members believe that the Republicans should depart from the traditional custom of holding a Democratic has been chosen—probably due to President Roosevelt's failure to reveal whether he will seek a third term.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Nov. 21, 1889. A bloodless revolution has occurred in Rio de Janeiro, deposing the Emperor, who has started for Europe. A Republican Government has been formed, accepted by all the provinces except Bahia.

Share business is quite stagnant, and quotations generally continue on the downward track. Stock Exchange matters are, in fact, so bad that it would be well nigh impossible to make them much worse. But the slide should nearly be at its ebb, and must soon turn.

25 YEARS AGO

Nov. 21, 1914. Although there is small probability of the United States being directly involved in the present world crisis, points occasionally arise which make the question of her preparedness for war of special interest. She is at present the only great country outside the conflict, if we except Italy, whose influence in the councils of the world has long since been on the wane, and for that reason apart from any other, speculation is often indulged in as to how she would show up in a contact with some of the Powers now actively engaged in the struggle.

Despite recent prosecutions, the Chinese compradore is still indulging in his little game of over charging, according to information received from Kowloon. There is a shop in Waihung Road, we are told, where tinned beef which could previously be had at from 35 to 40 cents is now priced from 58 to 70 cents, and if customers are not willing to pay this figure, they cannot obtain any.

Several prominent Manchou ex-officials have been arrested in Peking in connection with a movement to restore the Manchou to power.

10 YEARS AGO

Nov. 21, 1929. It is scarcely to be wondered at that some anxiety should be expressed in the House of Commons regarding the value of the Soviet pledge.

The completion of the major acceptance trials of the giant British dirigible, the R. 101, raises the highly important question of the use to which she will be put. Her latest successful flight occupied a period of roughly 20 hours, in the course of which the airship covered large areas of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, endeavouring for long periods against unfavourable weather conditions.

It has been conclusively shown that the R. 101, when actually in the air is safer and more reliable than any airship yet built, and other things being equal, should be capable of better performance than the Graf Zeppelin, which has some excellent achievements to her credit. (The R. 101 crashed in France. —Ed.)

Two wartime enemies, Captain Ernst Hasbagen, a German U-boat commander, and Commander Norman Lewis, who commanded a British anti-submarine Q-boat, spoke in the cause of peace at the League of Nations meeting last night in Reading town hall.

Captain Hasbagen sank Commander Lewis' ship, and captured him, treated him with civility and kindness, which Commander Lewis is now repaying by entertaining him in England.

Both officers were loudly cheered by the audience, which sang the British and German national anthems.

5 YEARS AGO

Nov. 21, 1934. A further complication of the armament situation was introduced here to-day by Austria, whose delegate to the Disarmament Bureau of the League of Nations, Herr F. P. Lugel, declared that his country was deprived of all security in the face of the growing wall of force around her.

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"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

COUNTY CRICKET POSSIBILITIES

Undergraduates' Good Show Against Indians At Sookunpoo

THE STATEMENT that it is hoped to run some modified form of County Cricket next season is one that will come as a pleasant surprise to most cricketers out here. Of course we recognise only too well that it is at present nothing more than a hope, and, I fear, a somewhat faint one. There will no doubt be plenty of good cricketers in England for everyone does not go to France.

To my mind the great difficulty will be transport. In big Military centres there will no doubt be the material for some excellent teams, who will be probably well above second class county standard, and I suppose that even in wartime a two-day fixture might be possible. But once one starts trying to take a team from A to B. difficulties arise.

Petrol I believe more strictly preserved than anything else. So far as I know the train service is very nearly normal, and that might overcome the difficulty, though it is not nearly so handy a method of getting apart (though perhaps safer), and it might curtail hours of play.

There is however one great thing about it, and that is it is sure to annoy the Nazis horribly—those of them who have heard of the game. A man I know who once lunched with Von Ribbentrop told me that he is completely acquainted with the sporting activities of the English—in book knowledge anyway. But in a long way off and it will indeed be a "queer war" if we get as far as that.

The University

I WENT down on Saturday to see the University playing the Indian Recreation Club, but, unfortunately, I had been held up, and then an intelligent taxi-driver delivered me to the Sookunpoo Army Sports Ground where I found Godby and Whamman knocking the next letter to K out of a not very strong Other Ranks eleven's bowling.

A glance across the fence led me to suppose that the best batsmen were still in, for the batsmen seemed quite at home. After enjoying as good a ten minutes hitting as I have seen for a long time, I stepped across to the other ground only to find to my horror that nine wickets were down, and just after I arrived a quick return ran out Lingam after a good knock of twenty.

NOT SO BAD

THE total of 97 is a pretty poor one at first sight, but it must be remembered that the Varsity had three or four of their best players away, while the I.R.C. attack was pretty good—only A. H. Madur and Nazarin being missing.

I was very glad to find A. R. Minu turning out again, and to get his opinion of the Varsity batting. He said, as was obvious, that there are

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SPORT ADVTs.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Twelfth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 2nd December, 1939. (Weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building, the Club House, Happy Valley, the Hong Kong Club, the Sports Club, and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 23rd November, 1939.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

weak spots, but he thought the side would come on, and spoke very highly of Lo Tak-cheong's knock, which, though it only tottered thirteen, showed great promise. I also covered that he is a son of an old friend of mine, M. W. Lo, and that reminded me that I had seen him bat as a schoolboy—Queen's College I think—some season or so ago, and had seen possibilities in his batting then. As he is only in his first year at the Varsity he has plenty of time to develop his game.

By the way, I have a vague idea that I used, occasionally to play against M. W. Lo at the Chinese Recreation Club when he sometimes took an afternoon off and played cricket, for the eleven—now nonexistent, alas!—which Ng Sze-kwong used to captain.

A NEW BOWLER

WITH R. Singh away in camp, the University put on Mahmood with Gegg. He did not seem very spectacular, but he kept a length and took 8 for 43, a good performance. Gegg has an easy delivery and is on the fast side of medium, but he is rather of the 'stock' type. If he could spin the ball a bit more he would do better. He only sent down 4 overs and 6 runs only were scored off him. Lo got a couple of wickets, but they cost 24 in two overs.

For the Indians, A. H. Rummah and H. T. Barma both got double figures to give them a fair start. I suppose that with the exception of T. E. Penrice, Rummah has played here longer than any active cricketer, unless I count myself one in the strength of an annual appearance for Cambridge.

The two Madars and Nazarin were away, but there were several double figures, and M. I. Raznek hit up 33 while Minu got 19 not out. A three wickets victory.

GENERALLY SPEAKING

THE FIELDING seemed to be up to the usual high standard, both sides. Minu seemed to have found a length quite comfortably, and his re-lease will make an enormous difference to the I.R.C. first eleven. I hear it is just possible that A. R. Abbas may turn out again this season. He was a useful bat, at one time opening the innings, if my memory serves me, but he has not been able to play for the last year or two.

I hear the Navy have retired from the first Division, which is a surprise me under the circumstances. I hope they will be able to keep a team going in the Second Division. All things considered I see no reason why the University should not be allowed to take over the Navy fixtures in the first League Division. It would save a great deal of bother in one way, though it would I suppose cause an equal amount in the Second Division, as I see from the couple of cards I have seen that the University have booked up to take over the Navy fixtures in the first League Division. And they cannot play two games at once, for I assume that they have no second eleven. If they have it solves it; if not, it's a difficult question.

C. B. S. Crash

THE CENTRAL British school has been doing so well that it came rather as a surprise to find them go down so heavily before a team of the Club de Reccelo, which was, I think, to all intents and purposes a second eleven; but they did well enough to get them out for 143, seeing that H. A. Barros made 54 and Noronha 29 not out. But the batting went completely to pieces. Gosano and Noronha were too much for the earlier batsmen, and there was a bad run out. Weller, the best bat in the school, alone got into double figures, and only just managed to do that. The whole side were out for 35.

However, these things happen, particularly in school cricket, and the side must not be discouraged. The Reccelo attack is, I am inclined to think, the most dangerous of any second division side, especially when bowling on their own wicket.

Hard Hitting

AS I mentioned before, I had a look at the Officers' team



A general view after the paddock parade, with some of the points leaving for the field in the Castle. Handicap; second section. Tribute (Mr. P. P. Botelho up) is leading, with Lancashire Chap (Mr. T. Fung) and Sports Venture (Mr. H. J. A. Hearn) in the rear. None of these was placed, the race being won by Wilbur, with Phoenix and Matador second and third.—Rome Photos.

Middleweight Title

Hostak Offered Bout With Ceferino Garcia

NEW YORK, (UP).—Mike Jacobs, outstanding boxing promoter, to-day offered Al Hostak of Seattle a fight with Ceferino Garcia, Filipino battler, for the world middleweight title at the Madison Square Garden on February 2.

Hostak is recognised as the world middleweight title-holder by the National Boxing Association, which controls boxing in the majority of the states, and Garcia is recognised as the champion by the New York Boxing Commission.

Eddie Marino, manager of Hostak, said that Hostak was willing to meet Garcia anywhere except in New York and California, where Hostak also is not recognised as the champion.

MEANWHILE, Cliff Harrison, "Seattle Star" Sports editor, said that Hostak would go on a tour late in November.

Hostak has been idle since he regained the National Boxing Association middleweight crown last June from Solly Kreiger of Brooklyn. Garcia is shortly to leave for Manila and is to meet Glen Lee in a bout billed as a championship affair in the Philippines capital on December 16.

NO SANCTION YET

JESS Cortes, Filipino promoter, who has arranged the Manila fight, has announced that the bout would be for the world championship, although neither the N.B.A. nor the N.Y.B.C. has yet sanctioned it as such.

The N.B.A. recently announced that it would recognise a Hostak-Garcia bout as a championship affair. Garcia gained N.Y.B.C. recognition as champion by scoring a technical knockout over Freddie Apostoli early this month.

walloping the Other Ranks' bowling all over the place. Whatman, who I have always thought has always gone in far too low down in the batting order for the Army, went in first wicket, and hit up 75 very forcibly, then Godby played a characteristically good innings and hit up 50, and Hatfield only sent down five overs, and does not in any way seem to have struck his old form this season.

MORE WEAK BOWLING

WHEN the Other Ranks batted, if they did not make quite so much hay of the bowling, they were never in any danger of defeat and ran up 138 for 3 wickets, everyone getting double figures.

I see Corporal Webb went in first wicket, and I think it may suit him better than opening the innings. Seven people had a bowl for the Officers, and none of them managed very much, but Pearl, who seems to be bowling much better this year, got 2 for 18 in 5 overs. It was a cheerful game.

Sacrilege

SINCE I began to write this article, I have seen the notice in a paper that Agar's Plough is going to be brought under cultivation for food products. I cannot believe that with so much pasture land waiting the plough that this, one of the most well known and historical of cricket grounds, can be abandoned, unless it is as a magnificent gesture.

Cricket at Eton will of course continue; they have other grounds. But one would have thought that the tradition would have sacrificed one of their grounds rather than Agar's Plough.

Golf

CHARITY GAMES YIELD £1,000 FOR WAR FUND

Sale, Cheshire, Oct. 17. HENRY Cotton was beaten (two and one in a 36-holes golf match with Dick Burton, British open champion, at Sale, Cheshire, to-day—yet he earned more than £300 for the Red Cross by his defeat.

He has now been beaten all four times in his charity tour. He said afterwards:

"I do seem to have made myself a bit of a cocoon-shed, but what does it matter? I admit I didn't play at my best to-day, but I enjoyed every minute of it."

During the afternoon round an approach shot struck a spectator on the head and dazed him.

BALLS AUCTIONED

The balls were autographed by the players and Cotton auctioned them to the crowd. Burton's two brought £15 and £10, Cotton's £10 and £6. Cotton's four charity games have yielded more than £1,000.

About 50,000 cigarettes will be provided for the Forces by a four-ball 18-holes golf match in which W. J. Cox (Wimbledon Park) and Archie Compton (Coombe Hill) beat two other Ryder Cup professionals, Dal Rees (Hindhead) and Alfred Perry (Leatherhead) by one hole at Wimbledon Park.

Dewar Cup Semi-Finals

In the semi-finals of the Dewar Cup golf competition at Kowloon City, W. Kershaw (14) beat A. J. Dennis (9) two and one, and A. E. Davies (6), after being five down at the 13th, beat A. A. Lopes (8) at the 20th.

1939 Field And Track Champions

Here is the complete list of 1939 English track and field champions, with the performances that gave them their victories:

100 yards, A. W. Sweeney, Millicarrian A. C., 9.8s.
220 yards, C. B. Holmes, Bolton United Harriers, 21.5s.
440 yards, Alan Pennington, Oxford University A. C., 48.8s.
One mile, S. C. Wooderson, Blackheath Harriers, 4m. 11.8s. (Champion record.)
Three miles, C. A. J. Emery, Achilles Club, 14m. 8s. (British record.)
Six miles, S. O. A. Palmer, Wales, 30m. 6.4s.
Ten miles, Jean Chapelle, Belgium, 51m. 50s.
Marathon, D. McNab Robertson, Scotland, 2h. 35m. 37s.

Two-mile walk, H. G. Churcher, Belgrave Harriers, 63m. 31.4s.
Seven-mile walk, H. G. Churcher, Belgrave Harriers, 53m. 4s.
440-yard relay (4x103) Blackheath Harriers, 43.4s.
One-mile relay (4x440), South London Harriers, 3m. 26.6s.
120-yard hurdles, R. J. Brasser, Holland, 14.7s.

440-yard hurdles J. Bosmans, Belgium, 54.0s.
Two-mile steeplechase, Jean Chapelle, Belgium, 10m. 22.4s.

High jump, J. L. Newman, Lloyds Bank A. C., 6ft. 2in.
Long jump, W. E. N. Branch, Reading A. C., 22ft. 8in.
Hurdle, trap and jump, J. Palamioti, Greece, 49ft. 33in.

Pole vault, F. R. Webster, Millicarrian A. C., 12ft. 3in.
Shot-put (16-pound), A. G. J. De Bruyn, Holland, 48ft. 6in.

Hammer throw, H. S. Sillas, Greece, 161ft. 17in.
Javelin throw, J. A. McD. McKillop, Millicarrian A. C., 180ft. 7in.

Tug-of-war (catchweight), Royal Ulster Constabulary.
Tug-of-war (100. stones), Royal Ulster Constabulary.

Jealous Chinchilla Bites Wendy Barrie

Though Wendy Barrie is not one of the very few women in the world who own a chinchilla, she has been bitten by one of the even fewer women who have been bitten by a chinchilla.

For a scene in "First Kiss" at 20th Century-Fox, Wendy was portraying a model and wore a chinchilla wrap and held a live chinchilla in her hand. She wasn't warned that red fingernails are to the chinchilla what a red flag is to a bull, and allowed the chinchilla to get hold of her finger.

The bite was only a puncture, but Wendy had to be taken to the 20th Century-Fox hospital for anti-tetanus treatment. Not the least part of the accident was, Wendy said, that her manicure was "just ruined."

Mixed Doubles Final On Saturday

The final of the Colony Mixed Doubles tennis championship will be played at the Chinese Recreation Club on Saturday, when the Club will hold their annual "At Home" and distribution of prizes. This latter ceremony will be performed by Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell.

Yachting

Sixth Ladies Race In First Series

The following were the results of the sixth Ladies' first series held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over a distance of 5.5 miles:

| Yacht | Captain | Time | Pos. |
|-----------|---------------------------|----------|------|
| Jean | (Mrs. V. G. Gowing) | 15.21.25 | 1 |
| La Linda | (Mrs. M. I. Johnston) | 15.51.30 | 2 |
| Gull | (Miss J. G. Heilberg) | 16.24.00 | 3 |
| Gull | (Mrs. K. Trenchard-Davis) | 16.53.15 | 4 |
| Red Shank | (Mrs. N. W. Lucas) | 16.54.40 | 5 |
| Isobel | (Mrs. M. G. Neve) | 16.56.32 | 6 |
| True Blue | (D. N. F.) | 17.20.00 | 7 |

CLUB "A" XV

The following will represent the Hongkong R.F.C. "A" XV against the Middlesex Regiment to-morrow on the Club ground, commencing at 5 p.m.:

Thompson, Nelson, Lavalle, Hamilton and Van Leeuwen (capt.). Day and Thomson, Dalziel, Salter, Henman, Bompuss, Swan, Godfrey, King and Deane.

Referee, H.D. Bidwell.

Don Ameche Manages Heavyweight Boxer

As if starring in pictures and on the radio, owning a racing stable, farming and planning a new home were not enough, Don Ameche has turned his hand to managing a fighter.

The film actor, currently starring in 30th Century-Fox Technicolor dramatization of the life of Stephen Foster, "Swanee River," revealed that he had bought a one-third share in the contract of Eddie Walker, a light heavyweight scheduled to fight in America soon.

Lou Crosby, brother of Bing, and Chet Lauck of the team of Lum and Abner of radio fame, share the managerial responsibilities with Ameche.

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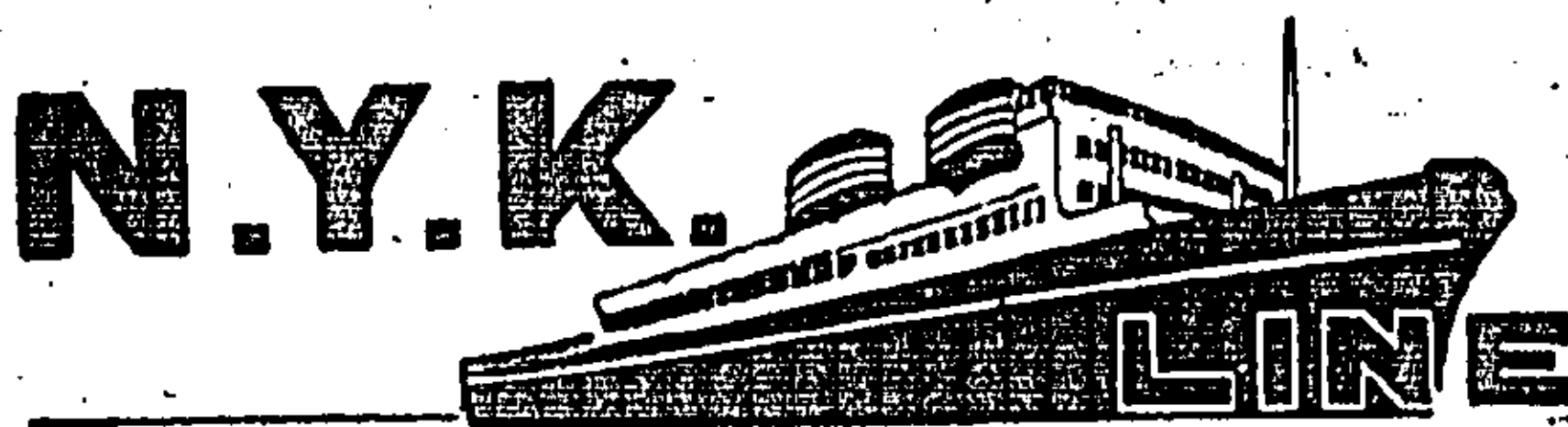
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Knitting Socks

It is surprising how many women refuse to knit socks because of the bug-bear of turning the heel. "If it wasn't for that," one woman said, "I'd love to knit socks for soldiers. But I simply can't face the heel."

There is no need, however, to dismiss it like that. It is like grasping a nettle firmly: once mastered the heel loses its nightmarish effect and becomes a pleasant break in the monotony of plain knitting.

This is how to tackle it. When the heel is reached, divide the stitches so that half of them are on one needle. If, for example, there are 60 stitches on the sock, 30 on each wire, slip 30 on to one wire (with the back-needle, if there is one, in the centre). Keep the rest of the stitches on two wires, 15 on each, and forget about them for the time being.

Now, concentrating on the 30 stitches and beginning on the purl row, knit first 4 stitches plain, then slip 1, knit 1 purl-wise till there are 4 stitches left at the end. Knit 4 plain. This strengthens the heel. Turn and knit a plain row. Repeat these two rows until the heel is long enough—usually 30 rows, ending on a purl row.

The Shaping

There are different ways of tackling the next part of the heel—the shaping. This is one method. Knit (on the plain row) into the middle of the wire (15 stitches), then knit 3 past the middle and take the next 2 stitches together. Turn, slip the first stitch, purl 3 to get back to the centre, then beyond and purl 2 together. Turn, slip first stitch, knit back to opening left by turning, take the next 2 stitches together and continue in this manner until all the stitches beyond the gaps on either side have been knitted up. End on a plain row.

Now comes the time to pick up the side stitches. If you have slipped the first stitch of each row when knitting up the heel you will find that it makes this task much simpler. Halve the stitches on your wire and begin to pick up the first side—one stitch for each ridge made by your slipped stitches. When you have picked up the first side, put the stitches on the two wires at the front together (30), knit along, and begin picking up the other side. Add to your wire the stitches left at the top when shaping the heel.

The heel is now completed and all that remains is the intake. Take in (only on the 2 side rows) every other row until the stitches are reduced again to 15 (or half the amount on the front wire).

It may seem complicated the first time you try it, but it is worth persevering, and becomes simpler as you go on. To strengthen the heel still further some knitters use silk thread in conjunction with their wool. This gives a strong finish and minimises holes.

Lavinia Derwent.



To make this pert-looking little suit even more chic, the designers have used the new navy green colour in a mossy celanese rayon and wool crepe weave and have reverted to a type of the Gibson pleats of a few years back.



Irene Dunn is noted in Hollywood for her smart attire and ability to wear clothes. The lovely actress shows how important it is to wear your finery becomingly by donning this period suit, 1927 with modern ease. The jacket is beige kaasha with a cross fox collar and loose silhouette. Her shirtwaist is beige satin and her hat is the cloche, or turban, of that period's millinery trend.

How To Make Bread

BREAD, if home-made, well repays put away in the bread box till the labour involved. To attain

success, a hot oven is required, so the best plan is to set aside a special day in the week for this operation, and make a copious supply in order to avoid waste of fuel.

Good yeast should have a fresh fruity smell, should be rather moist to the touch, and should break off in short and crisp, and not be dry and crumbly.

It can be obtained at most bakers and costs about 1d. per oz. One can also get cakes of compressed yeast, which can be kept in a tin in your store cupboard. Your chemist could probably supply you with this.

Proportions of Yeast to Use

One oz yeast is required to raise 3½ lbs flour and this makes a quarter or 4 lb loaf; 1½ oz of yeast is sufficient for 7 lbs flour, but in making smaller quantities of bread use a little more yeast in proportion.

To be a successful bread-maker, you must pay attention to the following rules:—

Fresh, evaporated or powdered milk used in making bread, makes the bread keep fresh longer than when simply made with water. Water in which potatoes were boiled is also good.

The addition of a very little sugar makes the dough rise faster, than when mixed without sugar. It also improves the colour of the crust.

It is important to keep dough at a steady temperature while it is rising. The best way to do this is to stand the bread-bowl in a basin of warm water—82 degrees Fahrenheit—is a good temperature for the dough.

To cream yeast means to stir it with a little sugar till it becomes moist.

White Bread

3½ lbs plain household flour, 1 level tablespoonful salt, 1 level dessertspoonful caster sugar, 1 oz yeast.

1½ pint milk and water.

Time 45 minutes; temperature—gas Regulo mark 7; electricity 450 degrees Fahrenheit.

Warm all utensils before beginning to make bread. Sieve the flour and salt together—and place in warm bowl. Put yeast and sugar in a cup, and stir with a spoon till they are a smooth liquid.

Add a little tepid water to the yeast. Make a well in the centre of flour, pour in the yeast. Stir into the yeast sufficient flour from the sides to form a thick batter, sprinkle a little of the flour over the top.

Cover the basin with a clean cloth, and let it stand in a warm place for 15 minutes to sponge, then add sufficient tepid water and milk to make into a smooth elastic dough. Knead well on a floured board, pressing the knuckles well into the dough. When it is a smooth dough, put it back in the bowl, and cover again with the cloth. Leave to rise in a warm place 1½ hour. It should then have doubled its original size.

Now divide the dough into 2 or 3 equal portions, knead again lightly, and place in greased tins, and set to rise again 15 minutes. Let the loaves rise, until they reach to the top of the tin. Bake for ¾ hour in a hot oven at first, then cook more slowly after the first 10-15 minutes.

Note:—Tepid water is 1 part boiling to 2 parts cold.

When the bread is taken from the oven, turn it out of the tin, and cool on a sieve, or support the loaf so that the air will reach all sides. If the loaves stand flat, the bottom crust will become moist; if wrapped in a cloth, it will do the same. Do not

eat it till it is cool.

If you are not baking the loaves in tins, make the dough into rounds with your hand, then cut across the centre both ways. This is called a Coburg loaf. For a cottage loaf take 2 pieces dough, one about twice the size of the other. Press the smaller on the larger, and make a hole through the centre with your thumb (floured) or a thick wooden skewer.

Wholemeal Bread

1 lb white flour, 2½ lbs wholemeal flour, 1 oz yeast, 1 large teaspoonful caster sugar, 1 level tablespoon salt, 1½ pint water or 1 pint water and ½ pint milk.

Wholemeal flour absorbs more water than white flour, and if sufficient liquid is not used, the bread is dry and hard.

Fruit Malt Loaf

Proceed as for wholemeal loaf, adding ¼ lb raisins or sultanas.

Baking Powder Bread

2 lbs plain flour, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 level tablespoon baking powder, ¾ pint milk, cold water. If liked, 1 large tablespoonful margarine.

Mix dry ingredients. Rub in margarine. Add sufficient milk and water to form a rather soft dough, but it must not be at all sticky.

Turn the dough into 2 hot greased tins, and bake in a quick oven 10 minutes, then more slowly about 35-40 minutes in all.

Isobel.



For smartness, Marsha Hunt, screen star, wears a tweed ensemble in green, mustard and brown, and carries her leather bag in saddle fashion over her shoulder. Brown accessories complete the outfit.

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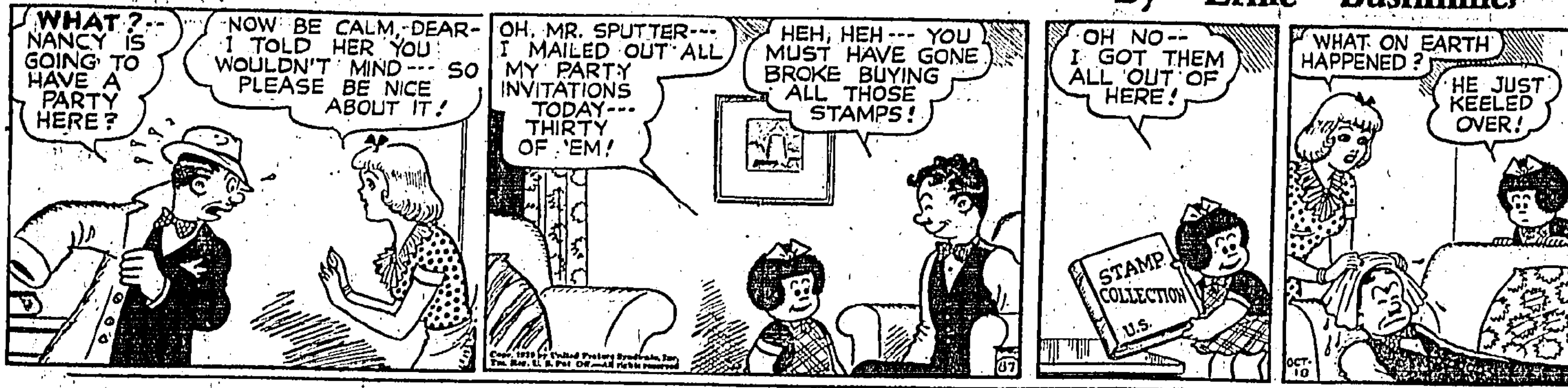
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Baby 'Evacuated' 6,000 Miles—Across Atlantic

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He is being "evacuated" to a safe area—6,000 miles away to Vancouver.

On arrival in Canadian port the child will be met by his grandmother, Mrs. James Turnbull, who has never seen her grandchild, and who has travelled the 3,000 miles across Canada with toys and baby comforts to greet him.

When the parents of the child saw him off on his lonely journey from a British port they were assured that the child would be specially cared for and delivered safely into the hands of his grandmother.

A.R.P. Alarmed By Lion Menace

HARROW A.R.P. WARDENS, MR. G. A. BENDELL, OF WESTWAY, PINNER, HAS WRITTEN TO THE HOME OFFICE ASKING THEM TO REMOVE "A MENACE TO PUBLIC SAFETY" IN THE BACK GARDEN OF A HOUSE IN CUCKOO HILL-ROAD, PINNER.

The menace is a 260lb. lion—18-months-old Rota—who idles his days jumping from an old car tyre in his cage.

Its owner, Mr. George Thomson, won Rota in a bet. Mr. Thomson wanted a friend that an exhibition by his firm in Manchester would be a record. A lion cub was his friend's wager. The exhibition topped all records. So Mr. Thomson got his lion.

He had a cage built in his garden, and Rota moved in.

Within a few weeks Pinner residents were taking sides. Some went to the police with a petition demanding Rota's destruction.

Fear Of Escape

They were told that as long as the animal was not disorderly, noisy, or unsanitary, nothing could be done. Mr. Thomson proved that Rota was the ideal lion.

Later, just before the war, the anti-Rota-ites protested that Rota would roar horribly, might even escape in an air raid. Mr. Thomson argued that the cage was as strong as any at the Zoo, built by the same people.

Forming the pro-Rota faction were the complete schoolboy population of Harrow, besides all their parents and friends. Every Sunday Mr. Thomson displayed his pet, on an average, to 50 families from all over Middlesex.

Mr. Thomson was so tired of the continual criticism that when war was declared he phoned a veterinary surgeon and asked him to shoot Rota. The man called and said it would be a shame to kill such a fine animal.

"Tame As Kitten"

Then A.R.P. Warden Mr. G. A. Bendell visited Mr. Thomson. He pointed out the danger of having a lion in the district if there were to be a raid. Why, the lion's roaring alone would terrify all Mr. Thomson then tried to have the animal evacuated, but found that all the animal homes in the country were full.

So Mr. Bendell wrote to the Home Office last week.

Mr. Thomson said: "To say that Rota is a public menace is ridiculous. Rota is as tame as a kitten."

SAFE DEPOSIT IN CHALK PIT

A BRIGHTON building society have rented a chalk pit on the South Downs for the building of a safe deposit.

The pit has been let by Brighton Waterworks Committee for £35 a year, for two years.

REICHSTAG FIRE HERO

Announces His War Aims

M. DMITROV, the Bulgarian Communist who was the centre of the Reichstag fire trial, is the latest to publish his war aims.

They are brief enough in themselves ("To end the bourgeois war by working-class uprising"), but in accord with the present habit M. Dmitrov takes 12 columns of his newspaper to say it.

Dmitrov's superb insolence when a lone figure set on trial for his life by a state earned him admiration. Today, as secretary of the Communist International, his pleading in which he excuses Hitler for responsibility for the war is mere impudence which will only create astonishment.

Charging U.S.A.

Thus Dmitrov accuses the Allies of forcing war on Germany when Germany refused to make war on Russia.

He charges the United States with using the struggle to consolidate her strategic defence. And he quotes as an example of Russia's respect for small nations her handing over to Lithuania the province of Vilna, which she seized from Poland.

CHINESE RECRUITS

Many Families Send Only Sons To Front

Shanghai, Nov. 20.

The Government's effort to build a new and better army is meeting with success, especially in Free China.

The better class Chinese, including officials and students, are flocking to the colours, notably in Szechuan.

What is said to be more amazing is that parents, giving up all ideas of ancestor worship and the necessity of protecting the line, are placing their only sons at the disposal of the authorities.

As a result, numerous homes throughout Free China to-day proudly display "honourable family" plates, awarded to all families which have men volunteering for service.

In order to make volunteering attractive, free schools and child protection bureau have been established to care for the families of the recruits.—Reuter.

Steel Forts Bar Invaders—So Peasants Carry On

BRITISH TROOPS DIG IN ON WESTERN FRONT

By WEBB MILLER

United Press War Correspondent with the British Army

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE. THOUSANDS OF BRITISH TROOPS—HOW MANY THOUSANDS IS SECRET—TO-DAY OCCUPY VITAL SECTIONS OF THE VAST FRENCH LINE OF FORTIFICATIONS SOMEWHERE BETWEEN THE CHANNEL AND SWITZERLAND.

I entered at various points the extreme front line positions occupied for the moment by British troops. At intervals of a few hundred yards I saw massive steel and concrete forts of a defensive strength such as existed at only a few points during the last war around Verdun.

A number of points occupied by the British consisted of mammoth pillboxes constructed of concrete and of a strength never approached during the last war.

With recollections of what happened at Verdun it was difficult to conceive this line of fortifications being passed by any army, no matter what the weight of its artillery.

The Optimist

At various points in the front positions British soldiers were digging more defensive positions and gun emplacements. Within a few yards of these warlike activities, French peasants continued to harvest their sugar beets and late forage crops, while the British strung broad belts of barbed wire through their fields.

At one place I saw an optimistic peasant ploughing for next year's crop while the British were digging zig-zag trenches across his field. At another a farmer continued to build his house within a dozen yards of an anti-aircraft emplacement which was in course of construction.

Difficult

As a typical instance, I entered a huge steel and concrete fort with walls and roof twelve feet thick. Less than a hundred yards in front ran anti-tank obstacles. It was difficult to imagine a tank, no matter what its size, negotiating this barrier. And through the periscope projecting through the roof of this particular fort I could see other forts of equal strength which covered the entire area for thousands of yards.

In front of these positions were strong barriers of barbed wire. Newly-dug communication trenches led from the back positions to the strong points.

An obliging British N.C.O. showed us the armament of this particular fort, and how this or that type of gun covered certain fields. Just in front of his position a culvert was already mined, and could be destroyed by touching a button.

Zig-Zagged

The communication trenches zig-zagged through the back gardens of peasants, where children played and women were still hanging out the washing.

The British N.C.O. in charge of this little garrison pointed out the metal container which held rations for several weeks in case he and his men were cut off. He proudly pointed to the supply of ammunition, and seemed confident that he and his men could hold out for weeks.

Straw was strewn on the concrete floor as bedding. By a simple movement he could operate a steel flap, erect the periscope, and obtain a clear view of the entire countryside.

On our way to the front we passed through towns where, as an officer described it, "there was not a cat in a week ago." But to-day many had returned and busy markets were in progress in the town squares, doing a big trade with the Tommies.

Ingenious

Even in the comparatively narrow sector we visited an immense amount of human labour has been expended in contriving the most effective and ingenious defences against an invader.

Again to-day we passed miles of drab, olive-coloured and business-like-looking British columns, and at no time during the day did I see a single horse used for Army transport or a single soldier on foot—everything in a modern army travels on rubber tyres at thirty to forty miles an hour.

An amazing feature of modern warfare is the way in which troops are concealed. Except for the necessary transport on the roads, and the troops digging defensive works, you can pass through the countryside and never realise that tens or hundreds of thousands of men are billeted there. Even the steel helmets are camouflaged.

Journalists in cars are instructed to proceed at intervals of a few hundred yards, not to congregate at headquarters, and to make their halts under trees or cover.

Rim To Rim

During to-day's journey we passed through areas which I had known during the last war where not a house remained intact, and where the earth, as far as the eye could see, was pitted, rim to rim, with shell holes. To-day crops were being harvested there by patient slow-moving peasants.

HOWEVER MELANCHOLY ONE'S THOUGHTS IN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO AVOID BEING IMPRESSED BY THE INDOUBTABLE TENACITY OF THE FRENCH PEASANT WHO GOES ON PLOUGHING FOR NEXT YEAR'S CROP WITHIN A FEW YARDS OF WAR.

'My Son's An A.B.'

RONALD HOWARD, 21-year-old son of film star Lealie Howard, was working one day as a reporter on the London "Sunday Chronicle"; the next he was an able-bodied seaman in the Navy.

"A few days after war broke out Ronald and two friends who were at Cambridge University with him decided that they would join the Navy and stick together like the "Three Musketeers," said his father.

"Though none had any previous experience of the sea, they were all signed on as A.B.'s and are now serving in a yacht which was taken over by the Admiralty."

Urged Armistice But Changed His Mind

LONDON.—Sir Arnold Wilson, 55-year-old M.P. who on Oct. 10 advocated an armistice, is now convinced that the war with Germany must be fought to a finish. Sir Arnold has expressed his determination to "do his bit."

He announced that he has been passed as medically fit and is joining the R.A.F. for flying duties. Sir Arnold saw a great deal of flying with the R.A.F. while serving in Baghdad in the last year.

Saving Bombs From Bombs

Radium bombs are protected from high explosive bombs at New Westminster Hospital.

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The tube will be the nightly home of the radium bombs, and their "hide out" in the event of an air raid.

Five Monks

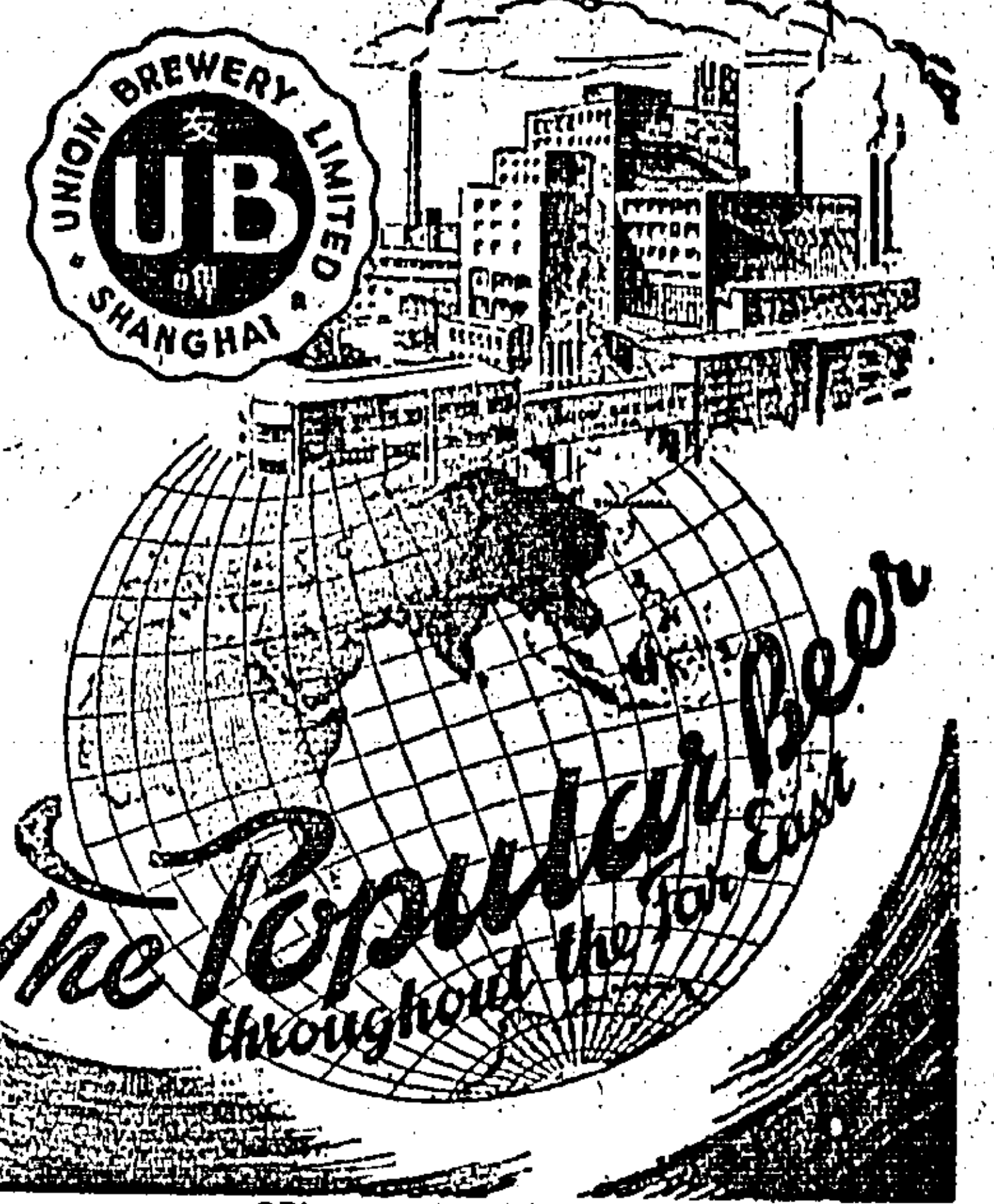
"Join Up"

FOR the first time in the history of Buckfast Abbey, Devon, five monks have cast off their sombre black habits and gone out into the world.

They are now chaplains with the British troops "Somewhere in France."

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Beginning Of Unrestricted Warfare

London, Nov. 20. The naval authorities believe that the sinking of the six ships in the east coast area which caused an estimated loss of 100 passengers, signalled the beginning of unrestricted German sea warfare. They discount the possibility of mines in the stream across the shipping lanes getting there by accident.

Some survivors believe that the mines were adrift chained together in pairs in order to hit the ship on both sides.

The greatest disaster was the sinking of the Simon Bolivar, which is estimated to have carried 400. So far only 250 survivors have been listed.

Among other victims was the Lithuanian vessel Tauna which was lost with one dead.

Mines are drifting over a wide area and some have been swept to the British coast. It is said that these could not be British mines which become automatically harmless when they break from their moorings.

The Hague Government is awaiting more explicit information before lodging a protest.—United Press.

Kaiser's Sympathy

London, Nov. 20. The Press in the Netherlands, owing to the delicate position of Holland's neutrality, still does not comment on the sinking of the Simon Bolivar but pays tribute to British rescue work. The ex-Kaiser has sent a message of sympathy to Queen Wilhelmina.—Reuter Bulletin.

On Threat List

Berlin, Nov. 20. A second list has been issued of allied merchant vessels, comprising 58 British and eight French, to be subject to instant torpedoing without warning. The largest named in the list is a Royal Mail steamer of 22,000 tons.—United Press.

Yugo-Slavian Sunk

London, Nov. 20. Twenty-two members of the crew of the mined steamer Blackhill including the Captain, have landed at an English port.

Similarly saved are 13 members of the Scandinavian vessel Borjesson. Eight are injured and it is believed that six others are lost.

The Carica Milica, 6,000 tons, Yugo-Slav registry, struck a mine off the east coast and sank.—Reuter.

Seven Ships Lost

London, Nov. 20. The number of ships now sunk by mines in the North Sea totals seven. The latest addition is the British collier Torchbearer. Four of the crew of 13 have been landed on the east coast badly injured, while the remainder are missing.—Reuter Bulletin.

Other Ships Mined

London, Nov. 20. In addition to the Simon Bolivar sunk by German mines off the east coast, according to an official announcement, was the Italian steamer Gracia in which five were killed by the explosion and 10 missing.

The Swedish steamer Borjesson is believed to have suffered the loss of six and injuries to eight.

Other losses were the British steamer Blackhill, of which 22 survivors were landed, and the Yugo-Slav vessel Carica Milica, the fate of whose crew is unknown.—Reuter.

NO MORE COLONIES

Washington, Nov. 19. Mr. Ernest Gruening, former Director of the Division of Territories and Island Possessions of the Department of the Interior, states he is convinced that a Democracy "has no business having colonies," and recommended preparing the territories for eventual political equality with the States. "Statehood has been found undesirable for some in specific instances. We must at least work out the equivalent and permit the people to enjoy all the rights and privileges of citizenship in the fullest sense," he declared.—United Press.

U.S. Parley In Shanghai

Admiral Hart Moots Ambassador Johnson

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SHANGHAI, Nov. 20 (UP).—Admiral Hart and Mr. Clarence Gauss, American Consul General, to-day met the United States Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson upon his arrival aboard the President Coolidge.

They escorted him to the U.S.S. Augusta where a conference is being held to-night because Admiral Hart and Mr. Gauss are leaving soon for Manila.

Mr. Johnson is going to Peking in the near future.

Reduced Activity On Saar Front

PARIS, 20 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day states that there was reduced activity on the Saar front. There were a few patrols and some artillery fire.

NEW U.S. ENVOY TO FINLAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
STOCKHOLM, Nov. 20 (UP).—The American Ambassador to Moscow, Mr. Laurence Steinhardt, arrived here to-day from Finland.

IMPORTATION OF PEPPER BAN

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Imports of ground and unground pepper are prohibited under a new order issued by the Board of Trade. No applications for import licences will be entertained until further notice.

DUTCH SOLDIERS TO GET LEAVE

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Periodical leave in the Netherlands army will be restored from to-day. This leave was cancelled on October 10 when Holland grew worried over the movements of Nazi troops on the other side of the Netherlands German frontier.

LATE NEWS

KWANGSI INVASION

Chungking, Nov. 20. While the latest Chinese field dispatches from Kwangsi place the northward advancing Japanese forces within a striking distance of Nanning, officers emphasise that this is only to be expected since Nanning is only 100 miles from Pakhoi.

After the occupation of Fongshing and Yanchow the Japanese forces advanced northward from Yanchow on Saturday morning in several columns. Vanguards of the Japanese appear to have already crossed the Kwangsi border for they were reported to be eight miles from the Kwangsi border yesterday morning. Confidence of the Chinese high command in the military situation in Kwangsi is indicated in the delay in the return to his Kweilin headquarters of General Tai Chung-hai, Chief of the General Staff of the Chinese Army, and concurrently Director of Generalissimo's Southwest Headquarters, who is at present attending the sixth plenary session of the Central Executive Committee of Kuomintang in Chungking.—Reuter.

No Early Opposition

Chungking, Nov. 20. It is reliably reported that despite Japanese occupation of small villages outside and inside the Kwangsi border north of Yanchow, the main battles are beginning to be fought. It is said that the Chinese troops are expected to offer desperate resistance on the last line protecting Nanning. So far no big battles have been participated in by the main Chinese forces.—United Press.

Japanese Advance

Shanghai, Nov. 20. Japanese reports say that two detachments of the Japanese vanguard in Kwangsi have occupied Tampo south of Fanchin River, and continued to drive along the Yanchow-Nanning highway, contradicting the Chinese reports that the Japanese are not taking this route.

It is stated that the detachments occupied Tingsi, Natan and Nachen in the Tatung Valley at noon on Saturday.

Tampo is a strategic commodity distribution point 40 miles southeast of Nanning.—United Press.

French Precaution

Kunming, Nov. 20. A Hanoi dispatch states that large numbers of French Foreign Legion and Annamite troops have taken up their positions in Indo-China bordering on Kwangtung and Kwangsi. This is a precautionary measure against violation of French neutrality by Japanese operations.—International.

KAISER'S ESCAPE

Doorn, Nov. 20. The ex-Kaiser had a miraculous escape yesterday at 10.50 a.m. while walking in the park. A light cyclone swept less than 50 feet away and broke down three beech trees three feet thick.—United Press.

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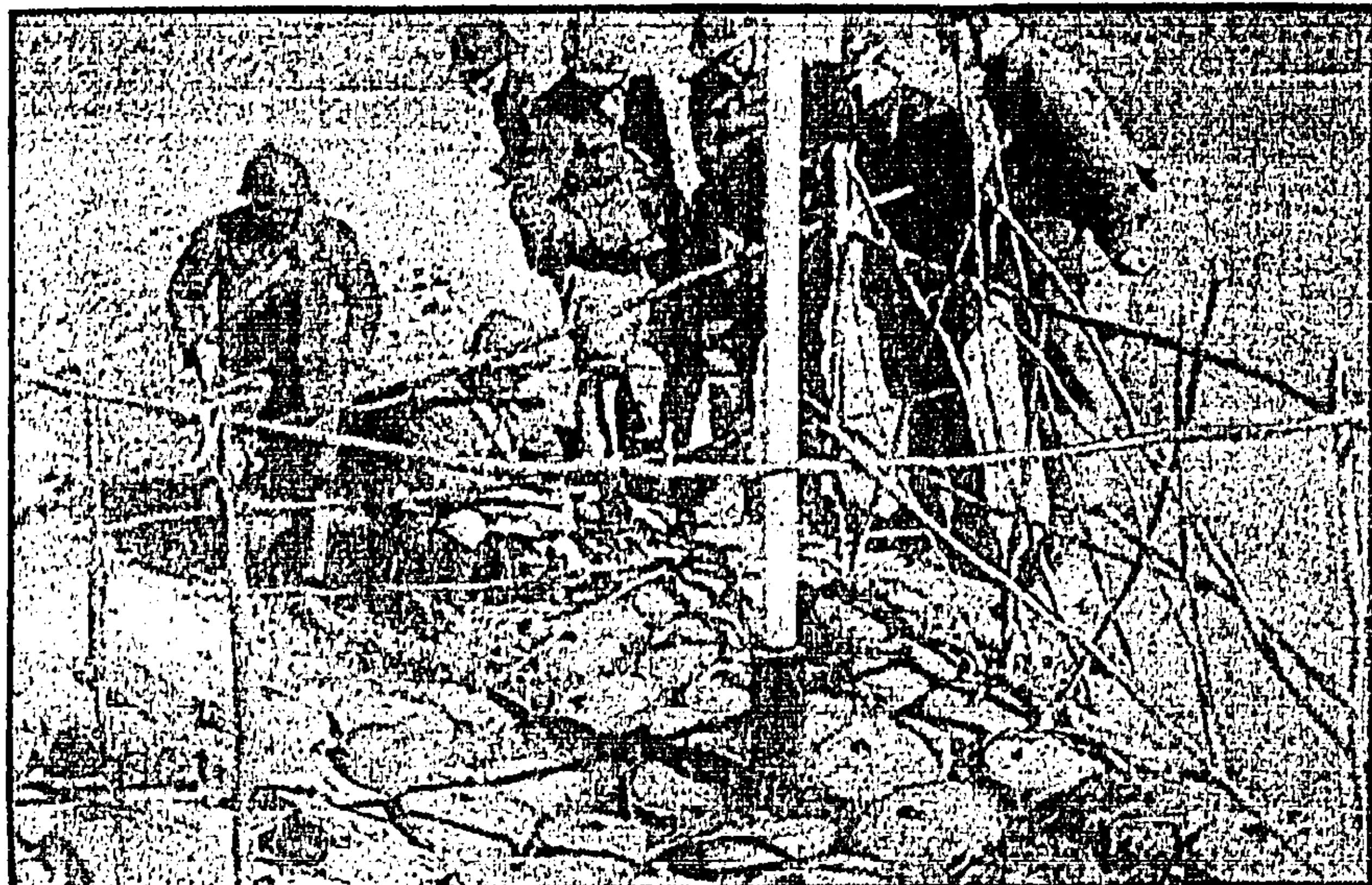
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French troops examining unexploded mines left by the Germans when they abandoned territory in face of the Allied advance.



A French soldier reading a notice in the captured town of Lauterbach. The notice reads: "German Colonial League Offices. Local Group. Lauterbach, Saar."



Polish make friends with a family in one of the German villages captured in the French advance.

German Planes Over London, Scotland, Essex, Orkney Islands: R.A.F. In Action

INTENSIFIED NAZI AERIAL ACTIVITY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, NOV. 20 (UP).—"ANTI-AIRCRAFT BATTERIES ALONG THE LOWER REACHES OF THAMES FIRED ON HOSTILE AIRCRAFT THIS MORNING, AND A PATROL OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCE CHASED A GERMAN RAIDER OUT TO SEA FROM THE ESSEX COAST," AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT DECLARED TO-DAY.

NOTED GERMAN LEADER OPPOSES NAZI POLICY

BERNE, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Hugo Stinnes, the great German industrial magnate and one of the first backers of the Nazi Party in Germany said to-day that he was opposed to the Nazi war policy. Stinnes recently sought refuge in Switzerland. This policy, he added, threatened the most dire consequences.

Planes Spread Death in Kwangsi

CHIANG MAY APPLY TORCH TO NANNING

JAPANESE WARPLANES ARE PRECEDING THE ARMY VANGUARD THREATENING NANNING, ANCIENT CAPITAL OF KWANGSI PROVINCE WHICH HAS BEEN INVADIED BY ALIEN FORCES FOR THE FIRST TIME IN CENTURIES.

Thirty-two bombers staged raids over a wide area in the province yesterday.

Nanning, whose 300,000 civilians have evacuated to the interior, suffered two violent raids.

Wuming was raided by nine planes, while another nine machines bombed Tsenkiang.

Orders have been issued for the "scorched earth" policy to be applied to Nanning the moment it becomes obvious that the city can no longer be held.

But the Chinese are determined to resist the Japanese, who are now in the mountains twenty miles away, to the utmost.

Picked Men Recalled

Picked divisions of Kwangsi troops have been recalled from Kwangtung, where they have been defending the Canton-Hankow railway, to resist the invader of their mother-province. They are under the command of Tsal Ting-kai, famed "Defender of Woosung." Capture of Nanning would sever one of China's vital rail and highway routes with French Indo-China. A railway links the former capital with Hanou, and the city is on

the direct route to Kweilin, the province's war-time capital.

It is believed that the Japanese will, if Nanning falls, attempt to push further along the French Indo China border towards Yunnan.

"Central News" reported this morning that the Japanese are encountering considerable opposition north-east of Yanchow and a column was defeated yesterday at Kowlung-hu.

In addition to the Kwangsi invasion, Japanese troops are reported to be displaying considerable new activity in Kwangtung.

A bitter fight occurred yesterday near Kowkong when a Japanese unit attempting to push into Shing-shing was defeated. Considerable fighting is taking place along the West River regions, where much of the warfare is between opposing forces of Japanese units moving towards Samshui, ten miles upstream from Samshui, were ambushed yesterday and abandoned several dead.

Chinese Raid Fatshan. Fatshan was raided by Chinese planes on Friday, belated reports. PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

This afternoon the "Star" reported that a German plane flew over the London area in the early hours of the morning.

One eye-witness said it was a large black plane, and another declared it had the Swastika insignia painted on its rudder.

The reports stated that the raider came from a southerly direction, circled over London and flew off again to the South.

Mystery White Plane

Anti-aircraft artillery also fired at a white plane flying at a great height over a town on the southeast coast. No air raid warning was sounded and crowds watched the aircraft follow the coast in an easterly direction.

Heavy anti-aircraft fire was also heard at another coast town. Observers saw shell bursts encircle the plane which was a tiny speck in a clear blue sky.

Anti-aircraft fire was again active at noon when another plane was sighted flying high over the southeast coast.

North Scotland Warnings

Warnings were also sounded in a town in North Scotland. The all-clear was sounded after 20 minutes during which time an enemy reconnaissance plane was sighted and driven off by anti-aircraft fire.

An enemy plane also circled over some southern Orkney Islands. A group of R.A.F. planes took to the air immediately, and so far it is not known whether the enemy plane captured.

Schoolchildren in the islands were dismissed and sent to their homes.

A.A. Batteries In Action

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry states that anti-aircraft batteries along the lower reaches of the Thames opened fire this morning at a hostile aircraft.

The Air Force Fighter Patrol. PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

21-Knot German Armed Liner Slips Out To Sea From Portuguese West African Port

NAZI RAIDER ON THE CAPE ROUTE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CAPE TOWN, Nov. 20 (UP).—A 21-knot armed German merchant-man has escaped into the Atlantic and now directly menaces the important Cape route from Australia, New Zealand and the Far East to the United Kingdom.

14 SHIPS IN 9 DAYS

Nazi "Pirate" Mines Claim Big Toll

LONDON, Nov. 20 (UP).—The British naval authorities to-day charged that "Germany's unrestrained sea warfare" has resulted in the sinking of 14 ships in the past nine days, including nine, with the apparent loss of almost 200 lives, over the week-end.

The losses include four British merchant ships and five neutral ships. Several other ships have been damaged but have managed to reach port safely during the week-end.

Most of the sinkings have occurred in the North Sea off the English coast, and have been attributed to German mines.

Greatest Losses To Date

Naval authorities said the losses for the last nine days have been perhaps the greatest for any comparable period since the outbreak of the war.

The British Admiralty has charged that the Nazis are placing free mines in the North Sea in violation of International Law.

Additional sinkings reported are the British collier Torch Bearer, on which nine lives are believed to have been lost; the British freighter Fensiva, the crew of which have all been safely landed; and the British trawler Wigmore, whose crew of sixteen were lost.

Naval reports state that several of the ships were torpedoed.

Tenth Victim

Latest reports state that there has been a tenth victim of German mines. PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

GESTAPO TERROR SPREADS

Krakow, Vienna And Prague Suffer

KRAKOW, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The "Death's Head" battalion of the Nazi Black Guards has arrived in Krakow to start its duties.

This is a special unit of the Gestapo and is used to suppress anti-Nazi activities or to organise Jew-baiting.

Many Austrians Arrested

VIENNA, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Arrests of Austrians are made daily. Unrest in Austria has arisen over the arrest of a high official of the Viennese Police.

Prague Unrest

PRAGUE, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Indication of the unrest prevailing in Prague and other Czech cities is seen in the fact that Nazi Black Guards are patrolling the streets with hand machine-guns.

The Gestapo is still trying to lay hands on the leaders of the Czech demonstrations.

Correspondent Leaves Germany. BERLIN, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Beach Conger, Berlin correspondent of the "New York Herald Tribune" has had to leave Nazi Germany.

Mr. Conger reported unrest in the Reich, getting information, he said, from several reliable sources. The Nazi Propaganda Ministry promptly told him to file a clear denial of his reports or else find his privileges cancelled and his despatches revoked.

He was not allowed to use the telephone or telegraph, and forbidden to attend Press conferences.

Since it was impossible for him to do his work in the face of this, Mr. Conger found himself obliged to leave.

Religious Persecution

ROME, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Widespread desecration and religious persecution in Soviet-occupied Poland are reported by the Vatican Radio. It declares that the Lywov church, one of the largest in Poland, is turned into stables and others are converted into cinemas.

Monasteries and convents are requisitioned by the authorities.

Order Not Restored

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—It is reported from Prague that Baron von Neurath, former German Foreign Minister and now Nazi Protector of Bohemia and Moravia, has been PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

A STANDARD CURRENCY

New Pan-American Proposal

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20 (UP).—It is learned that members of the Inter-American Financial Economic Advisory Committee are considering proposals to establish a single Pan-American monetary standard.

It is reported that the Peruvian delegate, Senor Montero, suggested adopting a new "Pan-American dollar," based on the "common denominator," of the purchasing power of the individual currencies of 21 Latin American Republics.

LATEST

See Back Page For Further Late News

FINANCIAL SECRETARY RECALLED

The "Telegraph" understands that owing to the exigencies of the war situation, the Hon. Mr. S. Caine, Hongkong's Financial Secretary, is being recalled to England for important duties in the Economic Department of the Colonial Office.

The Hon. Mr. Caine will, it is understood, leave Hongkong early next month.

Selected for the important task of controlling the finances of one of the Empire's most important colonies on January 6, 1937, the Hon. Mr. Caine arrived here on July 10 of the same year. He was then appointed Financial Secretary, a newly-created post, and Colonial Treasurer.

His tenure of office in Hongkong has covered two recent Budgets, both of which were expounded in brilliant fashion when they were introduced in Legislative Council.

In addition to the 1939 and 1940-41 Budgets, the Hon. Mr. Caine introduced, and brilliantly defended, the controversial proposals for the introduction of Income Tax as a vital time measure.

Previous to his Hongkong appointment the Hon. Mr. Caine was attached to the Inland Revenue Department at Home, and, later, to the Colonial Office, at which he spent a period from 1931 to 1937.

MAGNETIC MINE MAY BE NAZI'S "SECRET WEAPON"

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The week-end sinkings have given rise to the theory that Hitler's "secret weapon" may be the magnetic mine, but if so, it is pointed out, it is but a poor squib.

The magnetic mine is by no means a new invention. Great Britain used it in the last war.

Delicate Mechanism

Magnetic mines are usually placed either at the bottom of the ocean, or

moored at considerable depth below the surface.

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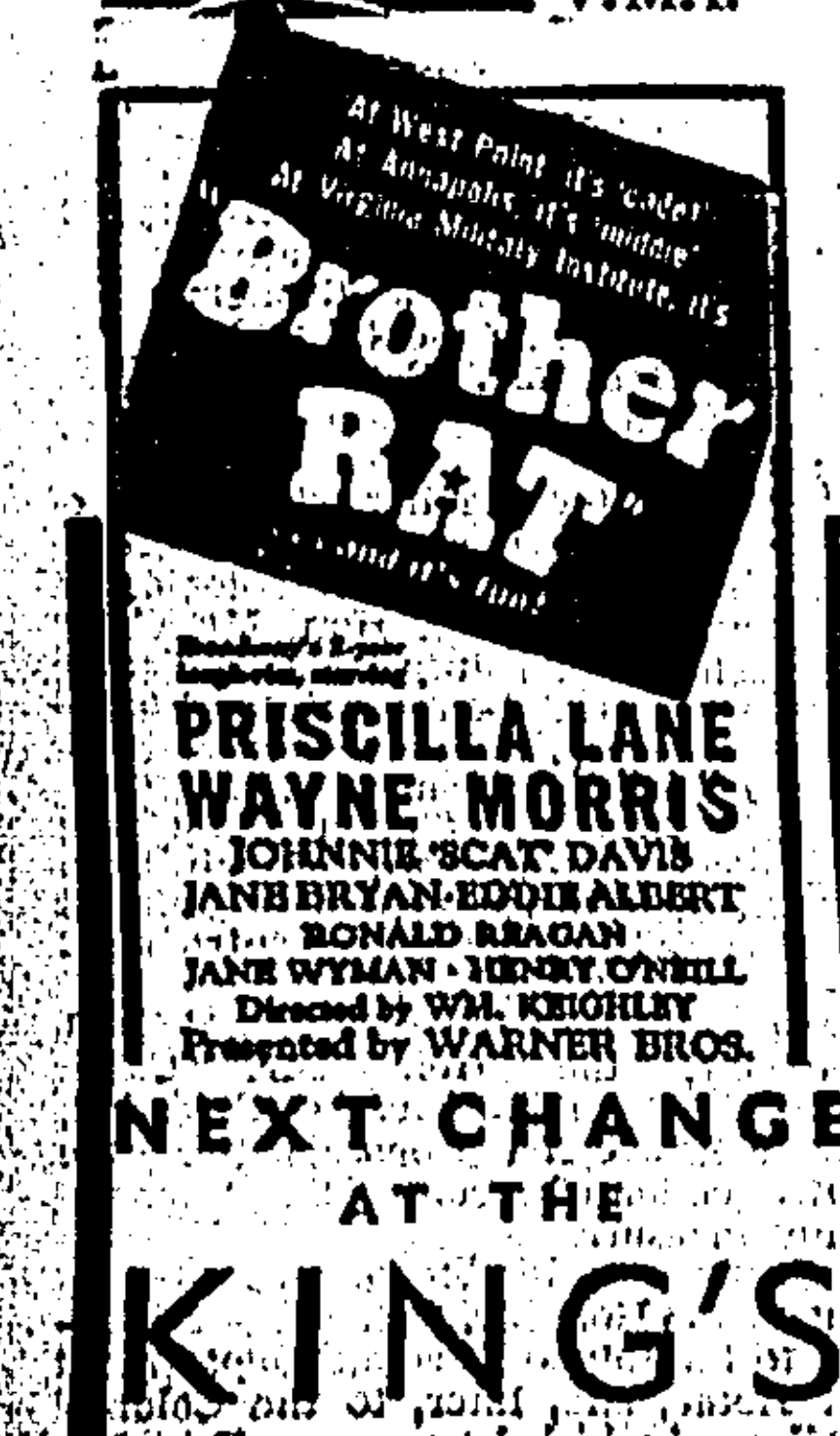
GOOD WORK BY FRENCH NAVY

PARIS, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The French Navy has captured several thousand tons more of German shipping than it has lost.

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NEXT CHANGE AT THE KING'S

Generals Warn Hitler Against "Adventure"

THIS IS WHY NAZIS ARE FIGHTING ARMY

By MADAME TABOUI

Those who stated, as I did recently, that the Reich had no longer enough men to attack on the Western Front caused sceptical smiles in certain quarters of London and Paris.

But irrefutable proof that such is the case is provided by the disputes now raging round the Führer concerning the choice of the date for the offensive against France and Britain.

In Paris circles astonishment has been growing at the fact that the Führer is allowing France and Britain the necessary time to perfect their defences and consolidate the positions acquired.

The reason is the lack of effectives for attack. The position is as follows: Recently the Führer held a meeting of his Secret Council of Nazi chiefs, General Staff and other close collaborators. After he had appointed himself Commander-in-Chief on the Western Front and charged Göring with the general conduct of operations under him, the plan of attack and the date of its execution were discussed.

15 "Missing" Classes
The Führer then realised what deep and passionate divergence of opinion was existing among those whose business it was to organise the offensive. Göring maintained that without Italian or Russian aid he could, starting even in mid-October, succeed in piercing the Western Front by aerial attack on England, mass assault on the Maginot Line and violation of Dutch and Swiss neutrality.

Military experts consider that such an operation is impossible so long as the German Army is not reinforced by 15 classes who did no military service between 1918 and 1933, and that it is indispensable they should receive three months' training in the use of modern arms. Representatives of the Reichswehr are of the opinion that even with this reinforcement the strength of the Army would not be great enough to ensure victory.

Raeder Protested
On the other hand they consider anything would be better than material aid by Russian troops, as Bolshevism of the German army would bring about complete defeat. They, therefore, suggested that Germany should wait four to six months. "The strategic position in the West being spelt, we must await some unforeseen events to change the problem of comparative strengths of the opposing forces."

Goebbels made an attack on Ribbentrop of great violence, declaring that Stalin was already "Hitler's conqueror" and this was due to Ribbentrop.

As a result of this scene, Admiral Raeder accused Ribbentrop of causing Germany to lose supremacy in the Baltic by ceding to the Kremlin Baltic and even Nordic countries. He added that he declined all responsibility for the future regarding the naval situation.

The Führer in view of this situation, decided to hold a meeting of the High Command in the near future in order to take a decision.

Meanwhile, Göring has persuaded Hitler that the situation on the Western Front is not so bad for Germany as alleged, according to him, it is useless to wait six months and, indeed, it would benefit the Allies.

Hitler then "laid siege" to the generals, one by one.

Generals Differ
General Richthaus, who was first consulted, declared himself in favour of Göring's plan, but insisted that the general attack should not be launched before mid-November.

Other generals avoided giving a reply on the question of a November attack. They declared that the German reserves at present on the northern and southern wings of the Western Front were insufficient.

It was therefore necessary, in their opinion, to wait until 150,000 recruits had been trained before undertaking the offensive.

Recovery of the territory lost in front of the Siegfried Line and an offensive by way of Holland, Switzerland and across the Rhine.

Hitler gave special orders to Admiral Raeder, in consequence of which

FIELD Marshal Göring, Hitler's bloated second-in-command, was a spy in England in 1914.

In April, 1914, he came to the village of South Luffenham, Oakham, Rutland, in the guise of a student of the English language.

His tutor was the Rev. J. F. Richards, the rector, now at Three-cornered Standley, Amersham, Bucks.

Tall and hollow-checked, vastly different from the swarthy, fat man of to-day, Göring could speak English with the fluency of a native.

But he made sure that he spoke it brokenly when in company. At times, when he thought he was alone, however, Göring, the spy, spoke to the rector in perfect English.

Often on these occasions he was overheard by Mrs. Bensley who was in service at the rectory.

Goering Was A Spy in England

Mrs. Bensley, who still lives in the village, says: "Göring often went cycling with the Rector's son. Habitually he would lose himself in big towns and return the following day."

"He left the country hurriedly on July 28, 1914, seven days before the declaration of war. With the rise of Hitler, he became a striking personality in the new 'Third Reich'."

He established in Prussia a secret police force, and as its head became the most feared man in Germany. When he became German Air Minister—a post he still holds—Göring set himself the task of building up a vast fighting machine.

Göring, the bully and fighter, is in many ways a contradiction. He is a great lover of animals. He introduced legislation and imposed penalties for cruelty to animals more severe than the laws for such offences in any other country.

China's War Leader Is Now Premier CHIANG TO HOLD FOUR GOVERNMENT POSTS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, Nov. 20 (UP).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek will hereafter be holding the following Government posts: President of the Supreme Council for National Defence which is the highest organization governing everything in free China, the Council being higher than the National Government, the Central Party, the Military Council or the Executive Yuan, and is in position to control all Parties.

Secondly, President, or Tsung Tsai (General Director) of the Kuomintang; thirdly, President of the Military Council; fourthly, President of the Executive Yuan, which is equivalent to Premier.

Other Offices
Besides these, he is President of the "Peoples Political Council" which is the people's advisory organization.

H.K. Stock Market
The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

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| East Asiatic \$..... | 71 n. |
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| Macao Electric \$..... | 18 n. |
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| H. K. Entertainments \$..... | 8 b. |
| Constructions (old) \$..... | 1.55 n. |
| Constructions (new) \$..... | 8¼ n. |
| Vibro Piling \$..... | 5 n. |
| Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 \$..... | 47½ n. |
| H.K. Govt. 4% Loan \$..... | 100 sa. |
| H. K. Govt. 3½% Loan \$..... | 97 s. |
| Maramans (H.K.) s/-..... | 15/- n. |
| Maramans (H.K.) s/-..... | 4/- n. |

Members of which are appointed by the Government, including members of all Parties; President of four Government Banks, the joint administration of which is a powerful organization under the National Defence Council and parallel with the Ministry of Finance governing wartime monetary affairs.

He is President of China's Commission for Aeronautical Affairs or Air Commission, namely, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese Air Force. He is President of many Military Schools including the Central Military Academy and Aviation School.

He is also President of the San Min Chu Yi Youth Corps; President of the "War-time Work Special Training Corps" in which thousands of young men and women are trained to handle most thoroughly all wartime work; President of the New Life Movement which he personally initiated in 1934; Chairman of the Szechwan Provincial Government.

Appointment Welcomed
Political circles expressed general welcome and satisfaction over his selection as Premier which will certainly unify free China's administrative matters. They said that Chiang has been the symbol of China's

unification; he is the supreme leader; his taking up of administrative duties was demanded by actual and logical objectives and circumstances.

China's War Leader Is Now Premier
CHUNGKING, Nov. 20 (UP).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek will hereafter be holding the following Government posts: President of the Supreme Council for National Defence which is the highest organization governing everything in free China, the Council being higher than the National Government, the Central Party, the Military Council or the Executive Yuan, and is in position to control all Parties.

Secondly, President, or Tsung Tsai (General Director) of the Kuomintang; thirdly, President of the Military Council; fourthly, President of the Executive Yuan, which is equivalent to Premier.

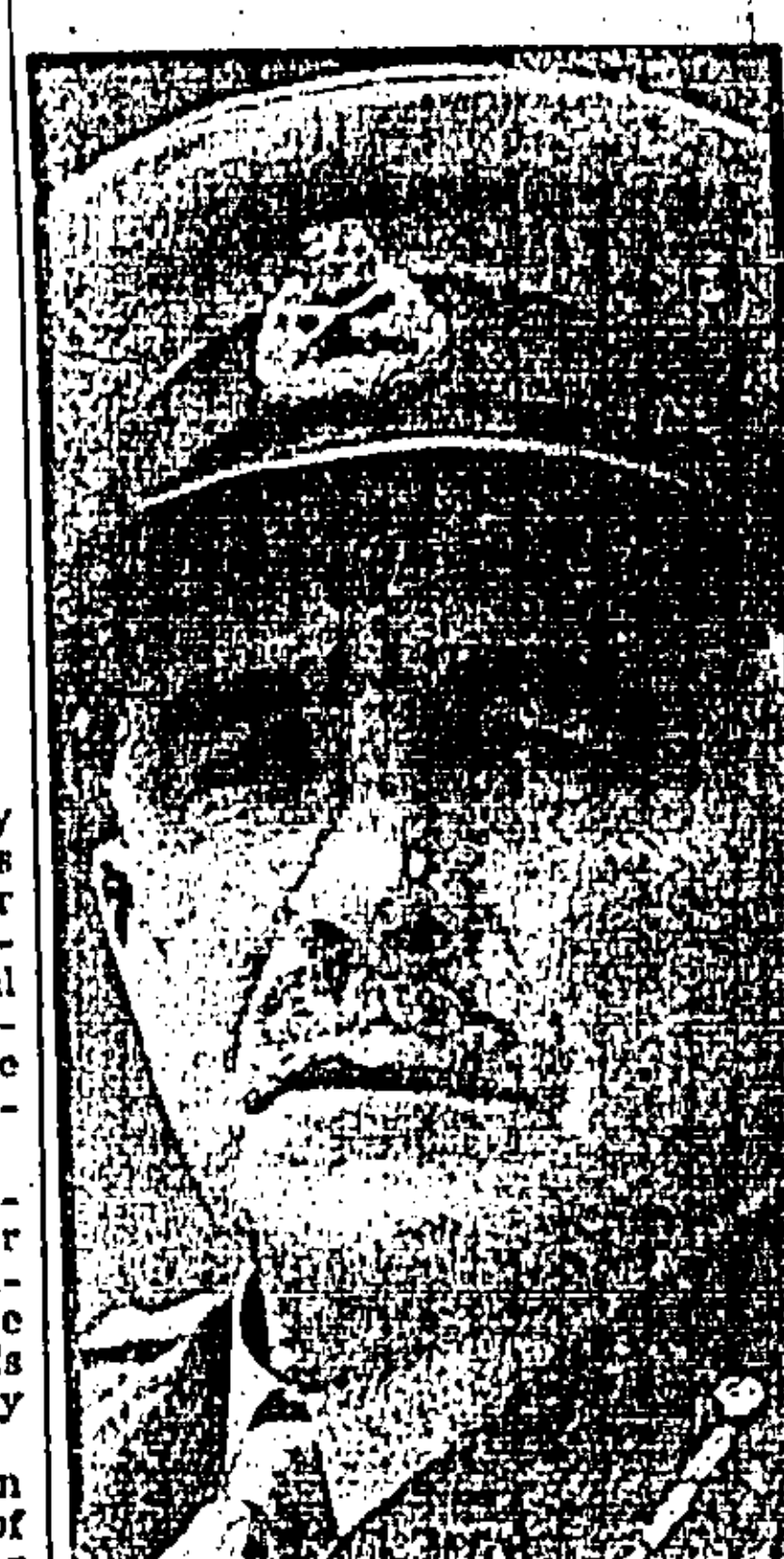
Other Offices
Besides these, he is President of the "Peoples Political Council" which is the people's advisory organization.

H.K. Stock Market
The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

| BANKS | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| H.K. Banks \$..... | 1,320 b. & sa. |
| H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) £84½ n. | |
| H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) £25 n. | |
| Chartered \$..... | 8½ n. |
| Mercantile, A. & B. £..... | 23½ n. |
| Mercantile, C. & £..... | 11½ n. |
| East Asiatic \$..... | 71 n. |
| INSURANCES | |
| Canton \$..... | 205 b. |
| Union \$..... | 385 b. |
| China Underwriter \$..... | 1½ n. |
| H.K. Fire \$..... | 175 b. |
| SHIPPING | |
| Douglases \$..... | 70 b. |
| Stoomvaart \$..... | 12 n. |
| Indo-China, P. \$..... | 60 n. |
| Indo-China, D. \$..... | 30 n. |
| Shells (Bearers) s/-..... | 82½ n. |
| Waterboats \$..... | 8.10 n. |
| DOCKS ETC. | |
| Wharves \$..... | 101½ s. |
| Docks \$..... | 18½ sa. |
| Providents \$..... | 4.20 n. |
| New Eng. Sh. \$..... | 14.40 n. |
| Sh. Docks Sh. \$..... | 204 n. |
| MINING | |
| Kailan s/-..... | 18/- n. |
| Raub's \$..... | 10 n. |
| Venz. Gold \$..... | 4 n. |
| H.K. Mines \$..... | 4 cts. sa. |
| LANDS | |
| Hotels \$..... | 4.55 n. |
| Lands \$..... | 33¼ n. |
| Lands 4% Deb. \$..... | par. n. |
| Shui Lands Sh. \$..... | 11¼ n. |
| Humphreys \$..... | 7¾ n. |
| H.K. Realities \$..... | 4.20 b. |
| Chinese Estates \$..... | 100 n. |
| UTILITIES | |
| Trams \$..... | 10 s. |
| Peak Trams (old) \$..... | 7.40 n. |
| Peak Trams (new) \$..... | 3.70 n. |
| Star Ferries \$..... | 81½ n. |
| Y. Ferries \$..... | 22½ n. |
| China Lights (old) \$..... | 7.85 n. |
| China Lights (new) \$..... | 4¾ n. |
| H.K. Electric \$..... | 50 sa. |
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New Appointment
LONDON, Nov. 20 (British Wire- less).—It is announced by the Colonial Office that Mr. S. Moody, deputy chief secretary, Palestine has been appointed Colonial Secretary at Mauritius, in succession to Mr. E. W. Evans, who has retired.

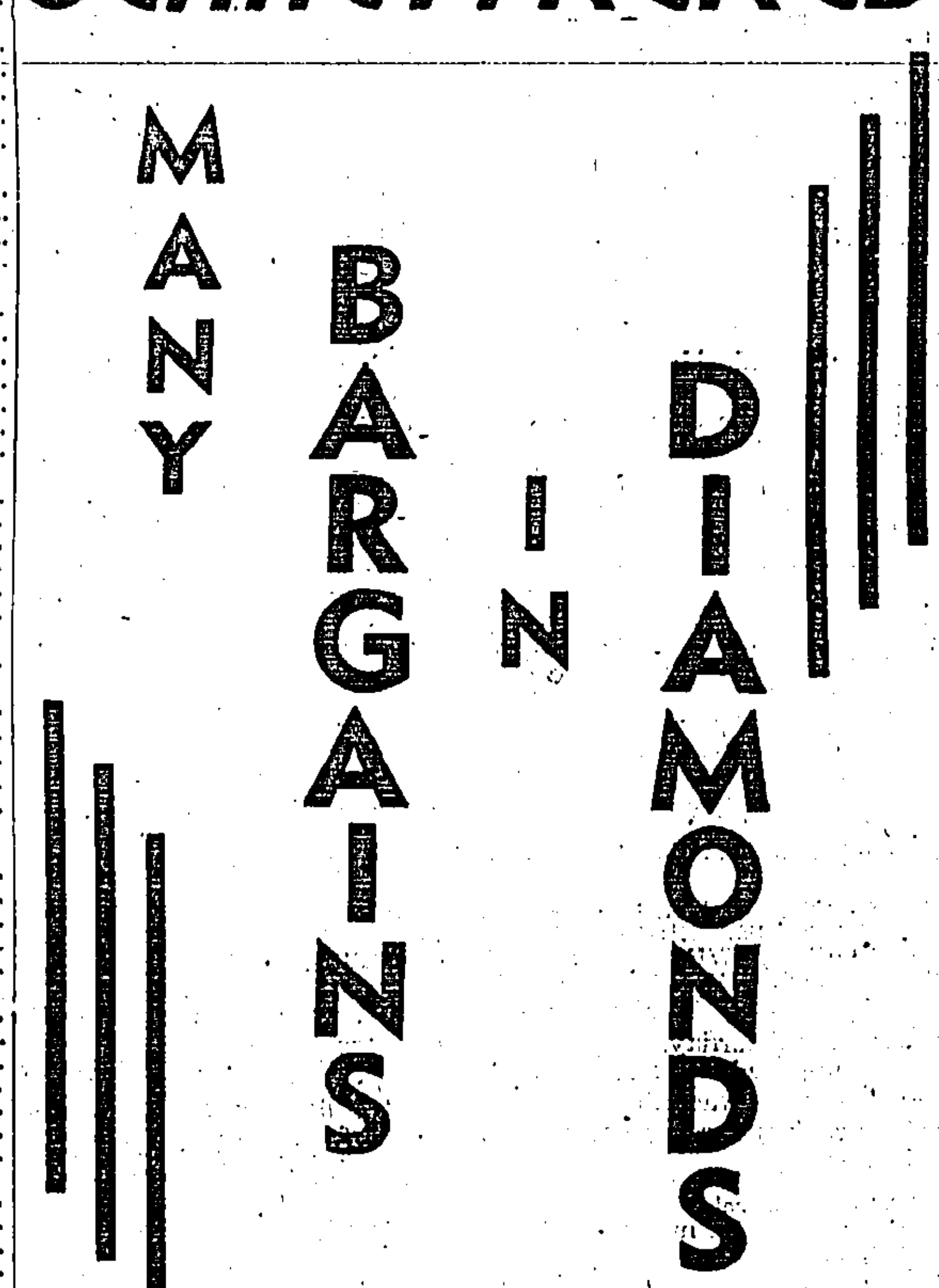
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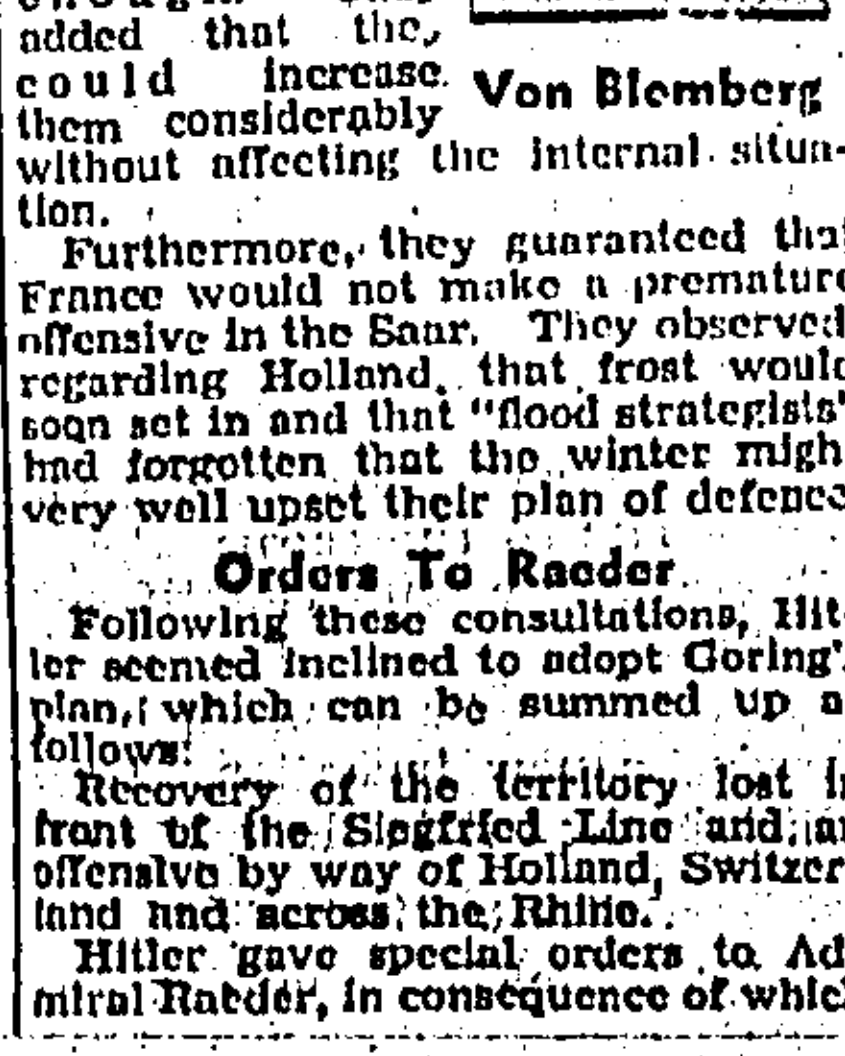
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WAR MINISTER ENTERTAINS

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Leslie Horne-Bellina has returned by air from a visit to France. Before leaving, he entertained M. Edouard Daladier (French Premier), General Gamelin (Allied Commander-in-Chief), General Sir Edmund Ironside (British Chief of Staff) and other prominent Anglo-French leaders at a luncheon, and also attended a discussion at the Ministry of War.

Subsequently, Mr. Horne-Bellina informed "Reuter" that he had had "some most useful talks."



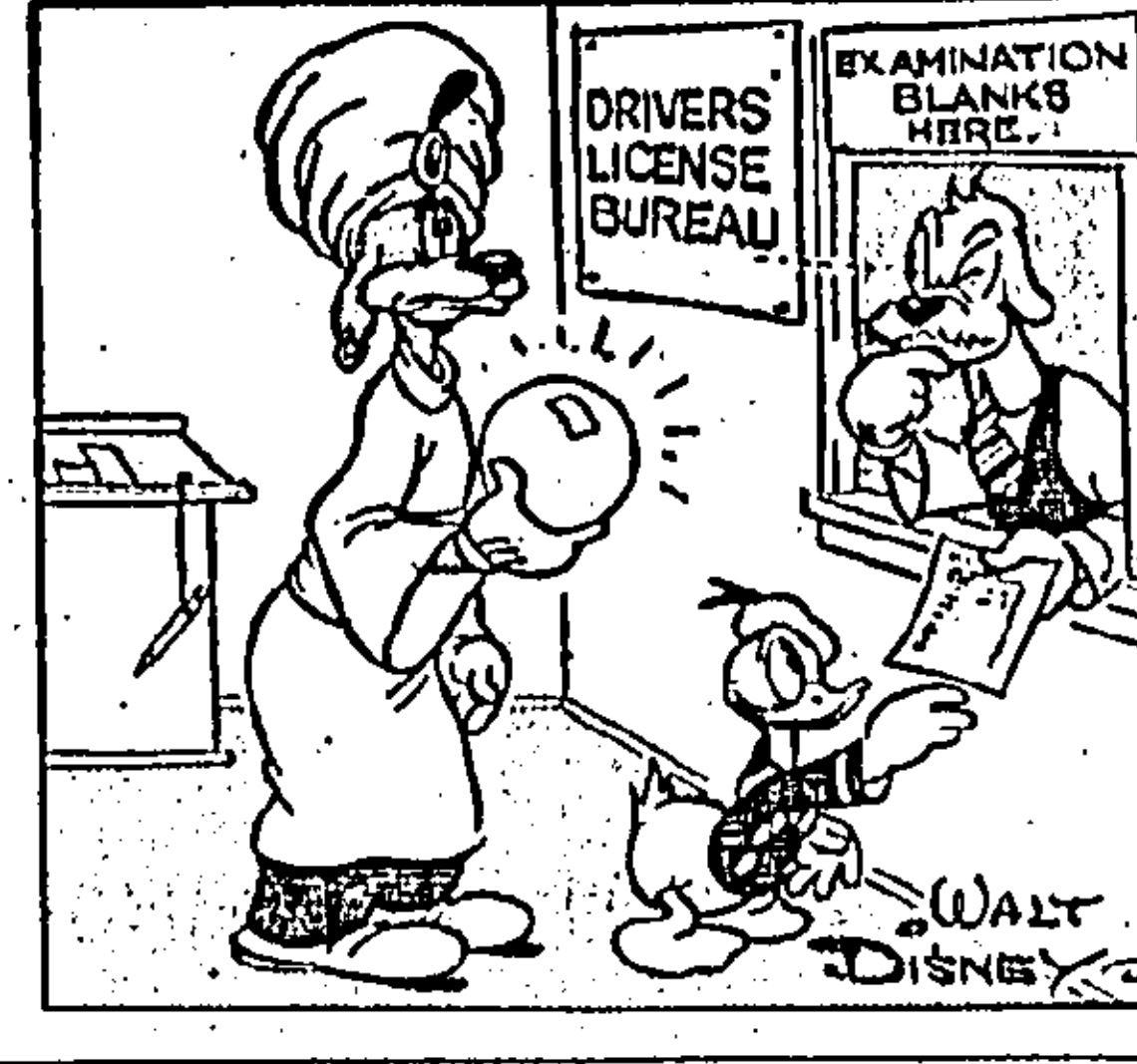
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Furthermore, they guaranteed that France would not make a premature offensive in the Saar. They observed, regarding Holland, that frost would soon set in and that "food strategists" had forgotten that the winter might very well upset their plan of defence.

Orders To Raeder
Following these consultations, Hitler seemed inclined to adopt Göring's plan, which can be summed up as follows: Recovery of the territory lost in front of the Siegfried Line and an offensive by way of Holland, Switzerland and across the Rhine.

Hitler gave special orders to Admiral Raeder, in consequence of which

DONALD DUCK



"I Am Proud To Meet Such Men" Says—

KING ON TOUR OF SECRET R.A.F. BASES

By A SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE

The King, recently, concluded a two days' tour of R.A.F. stations in the North of England and the Midlands.

He received at first hand accounts of bombing and leaflet raids on Germany from men who took part in them, and created an historic precedent when he decorated five men in an aerodrome hangar.

After the tour the King said, "I am proud to have met such men." Among those to whom he spoke were:

Pilots who bombed Cuxhaven early in the war;
The first men to fly over enemy Berlin and Potsdam;

A South African pilot who sank a U-Boat.

His Majesty also talked to the pilots who flew blind for six hours in Arctic weather conditions on the first reconnaissance over Southern Germany; and to others—including men of the Auxiliary Air Force—who act as escorts to convoys and who have already flown nearly 2,000,000 miles in their air watch over the North Sea for U-boats, enemy planes and drifting mines.

He inspected every type of aircraft in the coastal fighter and bomber commands. More than 1,200 men were assembled at the last station he visited, and on leaving he drove for a mile through cheering ranks.

Everywhere the King asked questions eagerly. At the end he expressed admiration of all he had seen, and commented on the splendid appearance of the equipment.

Plane Riddles With Shot

The award of decorations in a hangar in England was an emphatic reminder of the new condition of war brought about by aircraft operating to enemy country and over the sea from bases in Great Britain. The "war field" now includes Great Britain.

Here were men who are engaged in air warfare every day, and there was at least one grim reminder of the fact in the form of a twin-engine plane riddled with shot and shell splinter holes. Yet not one of its crew was struck.

Quiet, impressive dignity marked the investiture. In a huge hangar the personnel of the station, two members of the Women's A.A.F. among them, were paraded, making three sides of a square.

The King's arrival was announced by two R.A.F. trumpeters sounding the Royal salute. The four officers and a sergeant who were to be decorated stood out in front. His Majesty, in blue as Marshal of the Royal Air Force, stood by a small table on which the decorations had been placed.

An officer read the citations, and as he ended each citation named advanced a few paces, and saluted. He advanced five more paces, and the King pinned the decoration on his tunic and spoke to him. The recipient of the medal then stepped back and saluted.

Gunner's Fight With Flames

Some of the men who made the flight over Southern Germany had only just returned from France when His Majesty arrived at their station. In quiet tones, they described the dangers they had encountered and surmounted.

One pilot told him how, on the return flight, after vainly seeking better weather at every height from 300 to 17,000 feet, one of his engines failed. He finally decided to "burn the don ship" at 2,500 feet, and gave the order to his crew of four to "jump."

Three died, but, unknown to the pilot, the fourth, the rear gunner, was trapped in his cockpit. The pilot jumped, and the machine crashed into the side of a hill and burst into flames. The gunner, piled loose wire entangled round his neck, fought his way out of the wreckage.

Not knowing whether they were in enemy territory or not, the pilot and crew made their way separately through the night to meet again five of them, within an hour in a French village.

Their first thought was to knock up the village post office and send a message to the R.A.F. headquarters in France, stating their position and that they had achieved their objective, but making no mention of their perilous experience.

The pilot of a second machine taking part in the raid found one engine had caught fire. Neither his front nor his tail gunner replied to

his signals—they were senseless, numbered with cold. In landing with difficulty he struck the top of some trees and the fire spread to the whole machine.

With the other two members of his crew the pilot got the two numbered gunners out and the five of them put out the flames.

There were secret papers in the machine as well as the reports gained on the raid, and before they left the plane the five men committed the reports to memory and burned the papers.

They walked along a road and came to a signpost which told them they were in France. Having been refused admittance to the nearest house because the woman who answered the door thought they were Germans, they returned and spent the night in their plane.

Leaflet Plane Inspected
Among the aircraft and apparatus which His Majesty saw were: A heavy bomber which had dropped leaflets over Germany. The King climbed into this and inspected the contrivance which releases the leaflets.

Collapsible boats with signal apparatus and paddles, such as have been used by enemy airmen who have been shot down.

A bomber loaded with half a ton of bombs in under two minutes; and Spectacular take-off and formation flying by seven Blenheims.

Among the men paraded at one station were the crews of R.A.F. machines which had flown over North-West Germany only the night before.

Maps Of Germany
At another the King talked to R.A.F. pilots in goggles and flying suits, standing by ready to take off in Spitfire fighters—the fastest fighting aircraft in the world. At the same station he inspected Regular R.A.F. officers and men who fly Hurricanes, and spent a long time examining the details of the machine-guns of these fighters.

Finally His Majesty saw the trailers attached to squadrons which form, in effect, a travelling aerodrome and make the R.A.F. mobile on the ground. He went into a crew-room and looked at maps of Germany and the North Sea from which the crew plan their attacks.

The King was accompanied on his tour by Air Chief-Marshal Sir Cyril Newall, Chief of the Air Staff, and Air Chief-Marshal Sir Edgar R. Ludlow-Hovell, Air Officer C-in-C. Bomber Command. He had luncheon with the officers in one R.A.F. mess.

SHIPPING DECLINE

Sharp Drop In Tonnage During October

Shanghai, Nov. 20.
Shanghai's foreign shipping for October amounted to 196,000 tons, compared with 1,233,000 tons in September and 1,433,000 tons in August. The decline is attributed to the outbreak of the European war and decrease in Shanghai imports. British shipping in October totalled 427,000 tons, an increase of 2,000 tons, compared with September.

Japanese shipping in October totalled 288,000 tons, a decline of 134,000 tons.

The other nationalities in order of importance were Norwegian, American and French. German shipping ceased completely.

The Shanghai inland shipping in October amounted to 168,000 tons, compared with 184,000 tons in September.—United Press.

RUMOUR

IN the King's Navy there is a ship named Rodney (she's a battleship, 33,000 tons). In the King's Navy there is an officer named Rodney. In the King's Navy (where they have a language all their own) a man who has "gone sick" is "sunk."

A fellow-officer of the Officer Rodney walked into the mess the other day and said "Old Rodney's sunk."

Someone who didn't know the language of the King's Navy overheard, took it to be Ship Rodney, and started the rumour that Ship Rodney had been sunk.

MORAL: Beware of all things you do not understand. Beware of rumours and rumour-mongers. There's a war on. The Navy have not lost any kind of craft since Royal Oak was sunk.

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12.30 Sam Browne (Vocal) and the London Piano-Accordion Band.

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1.03 Songs by Winnie Melville (Soprano).

1.12 Mark Weber and His Orchestra: Indian Love Lyrics, The Czardas, Suite Orientale.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Carroll Gibbons (Piano), His Boy Friends and the Savoy Hotel Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

2.45 Half an hour of Dance Music.

3.00 Closing local Stock Quotations.

3.32 A Programme of Popular Classics composed from the Studio.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Recital by Prue Lewis (Violin) and J. R. M. Smith (Piano): Sonatine in A Major (Schubert), Humoresque on a Ground Bass; March (Dohnanyi).

(Piano): Six Airs with Variations (de Beriot); Violin and Piano.

8.50 Scariatti—The Good Humoured Ladies—Ballet: London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.

9.47 Raymond Newell (Baritone) and Eva Turner (Soprano): For England (Brandon and Murray); Life's Great Sunset (Adams); Raymond Newell (Baritone) with Instrumental Accompaniment.

9.50 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.55 London Relay—News Summary.

10.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

10.45 Variety with Renee Houston, John Henry and "Blossom," Clapham and Dwyer, and Others.

11.00 London Relay—"Entertainment, Please!" An item of humour, songs, American slang, etc.

11.10 London Relay—"In England Now."

11.15 Close down.

EX-KAISER WAR NEWS

AMSTERDAM.—The ex-Kaiser is following closely the international situation.

His programme of work has been changed so that he can listen in to the news, including the British radio. It is unlikely that he hopes to return to Germany.

Nazi Governor of Poland



Nazi leader Forster reviewing German guards in Poland, where he has been appointed Governor of a conquered country.

"I See They're Potato Washed"

"HOW to wash" broadcast to the German people recently told them:—

"Put the peel of potatoes into a ball of water and let them soak overnight. This solution can be used for washing your laundry."

"For delicate fabrics use ivy leaves boiled in water."

REASON (or perhaps it is short of soap).

SCIENTIFIC MONKEY BUSINESS

EAGER scientists, led by Professor Julian Huxley, spent hours recently giving nasty drinks to monkeys at the London Zoo. They are trying to solve some subtle problems about heredity.

The monkeys made faces. Professor Julian Huxley and his colleagues watched.

The drinks were carefully graded in varying degrees of bitterness. Most of the monkeys spat them out.

Some got angry and went away muttering under their breath.

A few lapped up their mixtures with pleasure.

Results show that chimpanzees are just like human beings. One out of four has a poor sense of taste. This defect is hereditary.

The young chimp Jacqueline is a "non-taster." So are her parents Jackie and Fifi.

Some day taste tests may be used to supplement blood-group tests in paternity cases.

Dear Doubtful

Experiments were also tried on two of the Zoo's baby deer. The results were negative.

"We are not sure whether they tasted anything at all," an official said.

Professor Blackledge, of Carnegie Institute, North Carolina, has done a lot of thinking about taste, and has come to the conclusion that it may frequently be the cause of matrimonial quarrels.

If the wife is a "non-taster," violent arguments may ensue about Monday's dinner.

"We have still a lot to learn from monkeys."

By Walt Disney



Walt Disney

LUXURY—WITH A STING

This Cruise Liner Is Dangerous

A 15,000-ton luxury liner, on whose decks cruise passengers not long ago were dancing and playing tennis and quots, is almost ready to teach enemy raiders a lesson in warfare.

She is being transformed into an armed merchant cruiser to deal with enemy raiders above or below the seas.

I stood to-day on her pleasure deck, where the black-and-white-tiled swimming pool still stands, and saw shell-racks where there were deck-quot courts marked out, says a correspondent.

From her sides pointed the menacing barrels of powerful guns. Below the first-class dining saloon was divided in two to form the wardroom and gunroom for the latest of his Majesty's ships.

Rifle Racks Everywhere

A mess deck and a recreation room for petty officers and men have been set up in the tourist quarters.

"Rifle racks and alarm signals, which will sound when 'action stations' are ordered, are in every part of the ship. On the decks are piles of splinter mats which will be put in position in the vulnerable parts to guard against shell and bomb fragments."

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| C2616—Rhapsody in Blue | Eight Pianists |
| C2703—Fifty Years of Song | Terence Casey, Organ |
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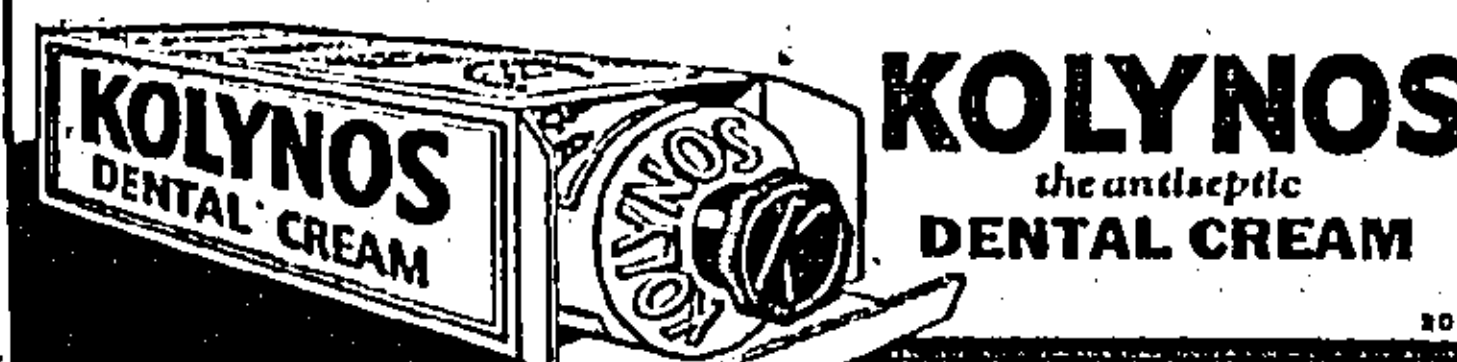


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Simplified English

In almost every country in the world there is a continually increasing number of students of the English language. It is already the predominating tongue, and from present indications we may assume that it is likely to become the universal language of international intercourse. It is the language of the Government of more than 600,000,000 persons.

English is not an easy language to learn, and its difficulties subject it to much misuse and to misconceptions as to the meaning of many of its words and phrases. To simplify and to make it easier to learn, many systems have been devised by enthusiasts and experts. One of these systems, Basic English, has been widely adopted; but Basic English has not been free from criticism. Some authorities have praised it highly; others have hotly condemned it.

In order to arrive at some definite conclusion on the matter, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, recently appointed a committee of experts to examine methods of teaching simplified English to persons who do not speak the language. The relative merits of various methods now available will be assessed by the committee and recommendations will be made.

Such recommendations will be extremely useful to the British Council, the semi-official organization concerned with establishing cultural contacts with other countries. Among its other activities the British Council has helped to establish British institutes abroad. Such an institute recently founded in Athens was originally planned to accommodate 400 students. On the opening day it was besieged by 8,000 students clamouring for admission; and enlargement was arranged. In Bucharest the British institute has 2,000 students. And as all these students are keen to master the English language, a simplified system of teaching will be invaluable, both to the Council and to the students themselves.

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PEACE: "GO AWAY, YOU'VE BEEN DRINKING."

HITLER has spoken, but his word means NOTHING!

by **Arthur Greenwood**
 (Deputy-Leader of the Opposition.)

NOW that Hitler has declared himself, it is as well to remind ourselves of the march of events.

China, Abyssinia, Spain, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Memelland were all the victims of aggression before the outbreak of the present war.

Long before Hitler invaded Poland, European, and indeed, world opinion, was sick at heart of "smash and grab" raids. Europe was littered not only with broken nations, but with Hitler's broken promises.

It became increasingly clear that a point would be reached at which Britain and France, however reluctantly, would have to call a halt to further inroads on liberty.

Munich, the last desperate gamble of the apostles of appeasement, marked the end of a dishonourable chapter of European history. The entry of German troops into Prague on March 15 of this year turned a leaf; and

marked the opening of a new chapter, entitled "The End of Aggression."

Europe knew in its heart—and the main defenders of its liberties, Britain and France—knew also that attempts to buy off future acts of aggression by condoning the latest act would mean the final surrender of freedom.

After the martyrdom of Czechoslovakia, and while the conscience of the world was still reeling under the blow, Hitler marched into Memelland under our very noses, the supremely contemptuous of world opinion.

When Poland was attacked, in spite of our firm assertions, Hitler still thought that he could pursue his old technique and "get away with it" without challenge.

He found his mistake too late. Not only was patience exhausted, but pride and honour were at stake. What was even more important and what, the threat to liberty everywhere was so obvious it had to be contested.

In defiance of British and French declarations, and despising

democratic opinion throughout the world, Hitler made the war.

The united forces of two of the greatest Powers in the world—Germany and Russia—crushed Poland. Further "diplomatic" advances have taken place since. What the joint plans of Hitler and Stalin may be is their secret, and I do not propose to speculate.

What I am concerned about is the state of Europe to-day. The body of Poland has been rent asunder, though her spirit lives.

The Baltic States, so-called in the North of Europe, are being brought under domination. The Scandinavian States are apprehensive. The Balkan States in the south are uncertain. Switzerland, Holland and Belgium fear the thrust of the Dictator.

They have hearkened unto Hitler's call to "peace," but without hope in their hearts.

Austrian and Czech Social Democrats, trade unionists, and Co-operatives heard the call, but it was drowned by the cries of their murdered and mutilated comrades.

The United States of America listened and found no note of sorrow for the past or sincerity for the future.

Our ally, France, wedded to "Liberty, Fraternity and Equality," heard Hitler's words and found no comfort in them.

Britain and the Dominions beyond the seas, and India, with a yearning for a freedom she cannot expect from the Hitler regime, heard the declaration. All alike were dismayed by Hitler's complete

lack of understanding of our unshakable determination to right, so far as possible, the wrongs of the past, as the essential basis of the world of the future.

It is not that mankind does not seek peace. In every fibre of its being it aches for peace. But there has been no peace in Europe since Hitler began his war against democracy. Every struggling and imperfect democracy working its painful way to the realisation of its ideals knows that Nazidom is its enemy.

Peace can come, and come quickly, when Hitler realises that the contributions great and noble Germans—and others—have brought to the advance of freedom in the world are not to be destroyed, but must be allowed to flourish.

There is no recognition in Hitler's speech of this eternal determination that freedom must live and grow.

But there is another reason why his address struck no responsive chord in the world. He has broken his word too often. One could catalogue his promises and the actions which have followed.

In the early days of his dictatorship—a little more than six years ago—he declared that "the German people had no thought of invading any country."

Since then he has been more specific. He said three years ago that he had "no territorial demands to make in Europe."

A little more than a year ago he assured Mr. Chamberlain, after having broken his previous pledges, that he had "no more territorial problems in Europe."

What he said last Friday must be assessed in the light of past words and deeds. He spoke as a victor to the vanquished in words which the world does not and cannot trust.

He assumes that the misery he has caused is right and that it will be forgotten. The crucifixion of the human spirit is the price of its liberty.

But it will not be forgotten. It is the outward expression of mankind's determination—at whatever cost—to keep what is holy and makes life worth while.

THE ONE IMPORTANT THING

MOST Scots people know that Calgary is a city of about 80,000 lying on the edge of the Rocky Mountains in Alberta, which took its name from the West Highlands of Scotland, and has always had a strong Scottish element in its population.

This Scottish element is at the present time very definitely represented in the Calgary police force from its Chief downwards, so much so that it is on record that the Mayor of the City, a witty Ulsterman, was once studying the names on the roll of the police, and finding amongst the "Mac"s, the "Ritchies," and other obviously Scots names one representative of the well-known English family of "Smith," demanded of the Chief-Constable an explanation of "how" this foreigner got into the force.

It happened, then that on a certain Saturday in early spring the Police Court in Calgary was in session. The cause before the Court was not an outstandingly serious one. It arose out of an ordinary motor car collision, but it was being keenly fought.

The door leading from the police quarters into the Court opened, and the Chief of Police, a fine upstanding native of Dumfriesshire, with a highly honourable record both in the War and the police service, entered the Court. He walked up to the Bench, handed the Magistrate a folded slip of paper, and went out again.

The Magistrate, a native of the Highlands and a graduate of Edinburgh University, looked at the slip of paper, folded it again, and beckoned to the Court. Orderly Sergeant, a white-haired veteran of the South African War, and incidentally the author of several very successful

novels based on his experience with the famous North-West Mounted Police of Canada.

"Show that to the inspector," said the Magistrate, handing the slip to the sergeant.

The inspector of police, who began life in the service of the Caledonian Railway near Glasgow, took the paper, read it, and the faintest glimmer of smile lighted his face. He in turn handed it to a constable sitting near to him, likewise a good Scot, and then it travelled round a little circle of police waiting to give their evidence in cases due to be heard later on. Almost without exception they were Scotsmen born.

Each man looked briefly at the slip of paper, and then passed it on. Not even a whisper was exchanged. Not a word was said openly. The space for the public in the Court was crowded as usual with spectators. They saw the paper passing from the Magistrate to the police, and concluded that it had reference to some routine matter of procedure. The motor car accident trial proceeded on its way and engrossed attention.

Yet to those who had read the slip of paper and had understanding hearts, it was no trilling routine notice that had been given. Into the somewhat dismal Courtroom of the Canadian city had stolen across five thousand miles of land and sea the faint, far-off, thrilling echo of a great roar of triumph going up from 150,000 Scottish throats in a huge assembly gathered round a stretch of smooth, green, award in distant Glasgow, for on the slip of paper there had been written just four words taken from the morning radio news broadcast: "Scotland 2; England, 0." O. H. Scott.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"—and I became terribly frightened when I heard someone say there was no pain or discomfort in this sort of trouble—those are my symptoms exactly!"

GUARDSMEN IN ACTION

Tin Hats Replace The Busbies

(By WEBB MILLER)

(UNITED PRESS WAR CORRESPONDENT)

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN FRANCE, Nov. 20 (UP).—One of the famous guards regiments which thousands of tourists have seen parade in London occupies to-day some of the first-line French blockhouses. The picturesque, towering "busbies" the men wore in London have been replaced by tin helmets. The helmets are covered by ugly, olive-green gunny-sacking to prevent their glinting in the sun—should the sun ever shine.

Commanders of the regiment include Lord Frederick Cambridge, cousin of King George and nephew of the Queen Mother Mary.

Other members of the British royal family in France include the Duke of Gloucester, Viscount Gort and the Duke of Windsor.

Muddy Ally

One useful ally to the Allied armies has been the persistent rain, which has converted the countryside into a quagmire. But the drenching showers have also been unpleasant. They have filled the newly-dug trenches with yellow water and forced soldiers and correspondents to plod through cabbage and beet fields deep in mud, large chunks of which have stuck to the boots.

Fortunately, almost all the British are now in comfortable billets—farmhouses, barns, evacuated schools, etc. The roads throughout this region are well-paved, often with French cobblestones.

14 SHIPS IN 9 DAYS

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during the week-end. A terrific explosion sank an unidentified steamer off the northeast coast of England with a possible loss of 16 lives.

The ship sank so rapidly that the crew were unable to launch a boat. Seventeen survivors have been landed four of whom have been sent to hospital.

Eleven of the Torch Bearer's crew have been landed, six sent to hospital and two are reported missing. Eleven of the Grizel's crew have been landed. The known number of survivors is 26, five are missing and one is known to be dead.

8 Merchant Ships Sunk
LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Eight merchant ships have now been sunk over the week-end by German mines or enemy action in the North Sea.

The latest addition is the British steamer, "Pensilva", of 4,000 tons, whose crew are safe and have been landed. The "Pensilva" was sunk by enemy action.

Dramatic Pictures

The British Press is full of the pathetic figures of the survivors of the Dutch liner, "Simon Bolivar".

One photo shows two six-month old babies, whose parents are missing.

Another shows a Dutch woman with two of her children. The other three are missing.

There is no doubt semi-official circles state, that Germans are laying their mines indiscriminately across regular shipping lanes.

They have resorted to this because of the failure of their equally illegal U-boat campaign.

Brutal Methods

This, however, is more brutal. The submarine at least has a chance of distinguishing between belligerent and neutral ships, but the present campaign has resulted in the loss of five neutral ships and only three British vessels.

The German Press is telling the German public that British mines caused the disaster, but British mines have not been laid anywhere near where the "Simon Bolivar" was sunk, and in any event Britain has nothing to gain from the mining of shipping routes used by her own and by neutral ships.

Furthermore no British mines were laid without full notification being given to both British and neutral shipping.

Mines Washed Up

Dozens of mines were washed up on the Belgian coast.

One exploded near Ostend and broke the windows of a military hospital three miles away. It is considered unlikely that the Germans are using loose mines. British mines are equipped with a device which makes them harmless should they break away. This is required by International Law.

Many German mines are not fitted with this device.

In this connection, the statement made to a Dutch newspaper by the Nazi Admiral Erich Raeder two weeks after the war began is recalled. Germans, he said, intended to conform to the rules laid down by the Hague Convention concerning the laying of mines.

The Lies Grow

One also recalls Hitler's speech at the Reichstag on September 1 when he said: "I will not war against women and children."

The London "Daily Express" prints this and under it the German allegation that the disasters were caused by British mines.

Simon Bolivar Casualties

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The official list of the "Simon Bolivar"

Home Trade Increases!

Astonishing Figures Despite The War

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the September setback in seaborne trade was due to commercial uncertainty and the sinkings of ships while unprotected, scattered along the ocean trade routes.

The convoy system and the unceasing offensive by the Royal Navy have resulted in a large reduction of sinkings and the restoration of confidence.

Hence the British imports in October increased nearly £12,000,000 and exports £1,500,000.

Dofying The U-Boats

The ocean-going tonnage of the British Mercantile Marine at present consists of about 10,500,000 tons in ships over 500 tons.

Despite requisitioning by the Government Department, nearly 90 per cent. of this tonnage remains engaged in purely mercantile work.

The small results of the German U-boat campaign are demonstrated by the fact that nearly 99 per cent. of British imports are arriving safely in British ports, and that the total losses of British mercantile tonnage in all causes during the war amount to less than three-quarter of one per cent. of the total ocean-going tonnage.

GESTAPO TERROR SPREADS

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summoned to Berlin to report to Hitler.

Buran von Neurath will have a lot of explaining to do, as in spite of the most repressive measures in Czechoslovakia, he has not stamped out the Czech revolt, embers of which are still glowing fiercely.

Although many executions have been carried out and thousands of arrests made, order has not yet been fully restored in former Czech provinces.

The gravity with which the Nazis view the situation is indicated by the sudden despatch to Prague and other large Czech towns of more high officials of the dreaded Black Guards and the Gestapo (Secret Police).

Meanwhile Nazi repressive measures against Jews are spreading to Poland in a more intense form.

In Warsaw all Jews are to be isolated in one district which will be barricaded off and put under strict control.

Von Neurath Recalled

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

BERLIN, Nov. 20 (UP).—It is reliably reported that Count von Neurath, Minister without Portfolio, and State Secretary Karl Hermann Frank have been summoned to Berlin to report to Hitler regarding the protective districts.

Simultaneously, a number of the highest Chiefs of the Storm Troops have been sent to Prague to take charge in the restoration of order.

Herr Karl Frank should not be confused with Reich Minister Hans Frank, the Governor-General of the occupied area in Poland.

CHIANG MAY APPLY TORCH TO NANNING

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reveal and, despite intense Japanese A-bombing, dropped over 50 bombs. A Chinese communiqué claims that direct hits were scored on the Japanese barracks and supply deposits. All the Chinese machines returned to their bases.

Operations in Kwangtung

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

YANCHOW, Nov. 21 (Donnel).—While the advance forces are steadily consolidating their positions in the coastal region.

Three Japanese Army detachments have captured Lomonhu, about 7 miles east of Tassu on the Kwangtung-Kwangsi border.

Two other Japanese Army detachments have occupied Chutuehling, 7 miles northeast of Taitungku.

Japanese field officers claim that the main Chinese forces in the Fung-cheng-Yamchow area have collapsed and the first phase of the Japanese operations in southern Kwangtung has been successfully concluded.

casualties gives the names of 84 missing and killed.

Casualty List Now 126

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The casualty list in the Simon Bolivar sinking now totals 126.

Three hundred survivors are being cared for in England.

May Have To Blow Up Ship

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—It may be necessary to blow up the "Simon Bolivar" as she is in the line of traffic.

Company's Biggest Loss

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The Managing Director of the Royal Dutch Steamship Company, owners of the "Simon Bolivar", described the loss as the biggest the Company has ever sustained.

Dutch Protest

ROTTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—At the request of the Holland-America Company, the Dutch Legation in Berlin is instructed to protest against the inclusion of the Dutch liner, "Veendam", in the latest German list of liners alleged to be armed against U-boats by Britain.

The Germans recently issued a "Sinking on Sight" list of allegedly armed merchantmen.

Exchange At A Glance

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| T.T. Shanghai | 270. |
| T.T. Singapore | 322 1/2 |
| T.T. Japan | 102 1/2 |
| T.T. India | 82 1/2 |
| T.T. U.S.A. | 24 1/2 |
| T.T. Manila | 48 1/2 |
| T.T. Batavia | 45 1/2 |
| T.T. Bangkok | 140 1/2 |
| T.T. Saigon | 108 |
| T.T. France | 10.90 |
| T.T. Switzerland | 107 |
| T.T. Australia | 1/6 1/2 |

BUYING

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| 4 m/s L/C London | 1/34 |
| 4 m/s D/P do. | 1/35 |
| 4 m/s L/C U.S.A. | 23 1/2 |
| 4 m/s France | 11.45 |
| 30 d/s India | 84 1/2 |
| U.S. Cross rate in Lon. | 4.02 |
| U.S. Cross rate in N.Y. | 3.03 1/2 |

INVENTORS GET BUSY

War Office Swamped With Ideas

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

LONDON, Nov. 21 (UP).—Great Britain's director of scientific research revealed to-day government receives hundreds of inventions and ideas each week—some of them useful but many of them humorously absurd.

One woman, he said, suggested that Adolf Hitler's "secret weapon" was a scheme to drop locusts enclosed in glass bowls over England in the summer-time to destroy agricultural crops.

One of the proposed inventions was an enormous magnet to disorganize the compasses of invading aircraft or ships. Another scheme was to drop gasoline behind the German lines and set fire to the countryside.

The director said plans for "death rays" arrive twice a week. Another plan was for a radio wave that would destroy airplanes and "seem to do everything but break the Ten Commandments."

He said one inventor proposed the use of anti-aircraft shells carrying trailing wires which would wrap themselves around aircraft in flight.

INTENSIFIED NAZI AERIAL ACTIVITY

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South-east coast but it is not clear if it was the same craft or another.

An air-raid warning was sounded and the "All Clear" went an hour later.

Another Nazi reconnaissance plane visited the Orkneys and was driven off by anti-aircraft fire.

Meanwhile, the unsuccessful attack on one of our destroyers in the North Sea may have been carried out by one of the planes which had flown over Britain earlier.

Paris Alarm

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".

LONDON, Nov. 20 (UP).—There were air raid warnings in Southeast England this evening. In Paris, this morning, air raid warnings were sounded in the Rhone Valley, and in south-east and western France from between 20 minutes and an hour. The skies were overcast and no planes were seen.

Raid Over Wide Area

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Nazi aerial activity over Britain to-day, though only three planes were definitely sighted, extended from the south of England and the London area to the Orkneys in the far north.

The enemy raiders were obviously following up the almost daily flights of the last fortnight or so with further reconnaissance patrols.

The area chiefly affected was the Thames estuary, Essex and South Kent.

A German plane was sighted flying at a tremendous height, and British fighters took off.

Escapes Defences
The plane made off at a high speed towards the coast and when our fighters drew off, the enemy machine was engaged without effect by anti-aircraft batteries.

Another machine flew over the coasted the raiders out to sea from the Essex coast.

Cinemas Carry On

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Air-raid warnings were sounded several times in the South-east coast to-night.

Cinemas were in full swing, but the majority of the audiences stay. No gun-fire or bombs were heard.

The "All Clear" was signalled after an hour.

Bomber Attacks Destroyer

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that a German bomber unsuccessfully attacked a British destroyer in the southern area of the North Sea.

New Underground Railway

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The new extension to the underground traffic came into operation to-day, whereby the Bakerloo tube can be taken as far as Pangbourne.

The work is estimated to have cost £5,000,000.

Nazi Pilot Is Killed

Sequel To Exploit Over Holland

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The pilot of the German plane which crashed in Holland near the German frontier after being attacked by Dutch aircraft has been killed.

German planes have been infringing Dutch territory during the past two days, and it is now officially announced in Berlin that the pilot of a German plane was seriously wounded on Saturday when two trespassing Nazi planes were attacked by a Dutch machine.

Shot Down From Ground

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—It is now announced that the German military plane, which crashed in Holland, was shot down from the ground.

According to an unofficial version, frontier guards actually shot the pilot with rifles.

The "Handelsblad" learns that the German pilot, who was shot by the Dutch on Saturday, was badly wounded and reached German territory with great difficulty.

It is understood that the Dutch Legation in Berlin has taken the matter of German planes flying over Holland with the German Government.

LETTERS

Government Hospital Sisters

To the Editor.

"Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—It is not wise to be always "agin the Government." I cannot endorse the paragraph in "Facts are Facts" letter in which he criticises the petrol grant for 40 nursing sisters, who are allowed \$20 per annum for conveyance allowance.

If the public were more conversant with the exacting nature of the duties of the hospital sisters and their long hours, more sympathy would be felt for a class of Government employees who are deserving of a greater measure of thanks for the services they render, often at personal peril, as during the prevalence of an epidemic in the Colony. During recent years epidemics have not been of infrequent occurrence.

An allowance of \$80 per annum works out at only \$7.50 per month. When it is realised that the hospitals are situated far apart and the sisters have to visit their colleagues and friends at places so widely distant as the Queen Mary Hospital on the Island and the Kowloon Hospital on the mainland, the surprise is that the sisters are granted so small a sum for travelling expenses incurred in seeking relaxation and recreation from their arduous duties.

I would make a special plea that their travelling and other allowances might not be adversely revised so that the recipients of these allowances might be made to suffer unjustly.

J. P. BACA.

Empire Equality

Sir,—While they are about it, I would suggest that the Government consider ways and means of raising sufficient revenue to make a \$10,000,000 gesture to Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and India who, like England are devoting all their resources to the successful prosecution of the war.

Or is this idea of a Commonwealth of Nations, in which all are equal partners, a myth?

AUSSIE.

SWISS PROTEST TO REICH

BERLIN, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The Swiss Minister at Berlin has protested to Herr von Ribbentrop, the German Foreign Minister, against the repeated flights of German aircraft over Swiss territory and the fact that there were German anti-aircraft shells in the Basle region.

The German Minister here expressed regret for the involuntary violation of Swiss air-space by German aeroplanes, but made no mention of German shells.

NEW WAR RISK RATES

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The Institute of London Underwriters notify alterations in the current schedule.

Including voyages within the area of Siam, India, Dutch Indies, Malaya and British North Borneo and including voyages between the Straits and Indo-China but not north of Saigon, henceforth the rates will be ten shillings per cent., but voyages between Malayan ports, excluding Singapore, will be five shillings per cent.

IMPORTATION OF PEPPER BAN

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Importations of ground and unground pepper are prohibited under a new order issued by the Board of Trade.

No applications for import licences will be entertained until further notice.

VIOLATION OF LAW

Nazi Barbarity Is Reversion To Type

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The German practice of illegal mining outside enemy territorial waters is nothing new, states a special commentary.

In June, 1915, four merchant ships and two destroyers were blown up in one day in a field near a sunken light ship where German mines lay.

The two explosions of the "Simon Bolivar" suggest that the mine field was laid in a zig-zag pattern, a type of sowing not practised in waters which a nation's own fleet expects to use, because it is impossible to plot the exact positions of mines on secret charts issued by the commanding officers for guidance.

The disaster occurred in a channel regularly swept, but it was no slackness of the sweepers since it is a favourite trick of German U-boat mine-layers to approach at periscope depth an area which has already been swept and sowing their mines shortly after.

Nazi Denials Discredited

The German denials are utterly discredited because Britain obviously would not mine without notification established channels of seaborne traffic.

Germany has announced some areas, notably those closing the Baltic and forcing neutrals to use the Kiel Canal, but German U-boats by clumps of mines unannounced in the channels this side of the North Sea in order to inflict losses before the minefields are discovered and swept. Many German mines have been washed up on the east coast.

No Bickering This Time

Capital And Labour Work Harmoniously

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).

—A special commentary issued to-day states that the wage advances recently received by several million wage-earners are a striking testimony to the joint collective agreement of employers and employees who have arrived at mutually satisfactory terms without Government or strikes.

The advances mean an improvement of real wages owing to the price-fixing of a wide range of goods.

New Co-operation

Examples of the co-operation of Labour and the Administration are the Joint Advisory Council, consisting of representatives of the Trade Union Congress and the Confederation of Employers, and the appointment of a Trade Union adviser to the Ministry of Shipping and four members of the T.U.C. General Council to advise the Ministry of Food.

It is noted that simultaneous action is taken by the French Government to stabilise wages.

Nazi Prisoners Of War Landed

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Fifty-eight German prisoners marched through a south coast town to-day under armed guard.

They were the crew of a Nazi steamer seized by the Royal Navy earlier in the week.

DUTCH SOLDIERS TO GET LEAVE

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Periodical leave in the Netherlands army will be restored from to-day.

This leave was cancelled on October 10 when Holland grew worried over the movements of Nazi troops on the other side of the Netherlands-German frontier.

New Russo-Nazi Agreement

MOSCOW, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—An engagement has been signed for the exchange of Germans in Russian-occupied Poland for Russians in German-occupied Poland.

CHILD'S TELL-TALE TONGUE

Your child's tongue will tell you plainly when the tiny bowels need the help of a laxative. A coated tongue means a sour stomach and constipation. But you have to be most careful what medicine you give. Strong purgatives weaken and leave the bowels more bound than ever, and nothing stops a child's growth like constipation.

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COUNTY CRICKET POSSIBILITIES

Undergraduates' Good Show Against Indians At Sookunpoo

THE STATEMENT that it is hoped to run some modified form of County Cricket next season is one that will come as a pleasant surprise to most cricketers out here. Of course we recognise only too well that it is at present nothing more than a hope, and, I fear, a somewhat faint one. There will no doubt be plenty of good cricketers in England for everyone does not go to France.

To my mind the great difficulty will be transport. In big Military centres there will no doubt be the material for some excellent teams, who will be probably well above second class county standard, and I suppose that even in wartime a two-day fixture might be possible. But once one starts trying to take a team from A to B. difficulties arise.

Petrol is I believe more strictly preserved than anything else. So far as I know the train service is very nearly normal, and that might overcome the difficulty, though it is not nearly so handy a method of getting apart (though perhaps safer), and it might curtail hours of play.

There is however one great thing about it, that is it is sure to annoy the Nazis horribly—those of them who have heard of the game. A man I knew who once lunched with Von Ribbentrop told me that he is completely acquainted with the sporting activities of the English—in book knowledge only. But his a queer way off and it will indeed be a "queer war" if we get as far as that.

The University

I WENT down on Saturday to see the University playing the Indian Recreation Club, but, unfortunately, I had been held up, and then an intelligent taxi-driver delivered me to the Sookunpoo Army Sports Ground where I found Godby and Whatman knocking the next letter to K out of a not very strong Other Ranks eleven's bowling.

A glance across the fence led me to suppose that the best University bats were still in, for the batsmen seemed quite at home. After enjoying as good a ten minutes hitting as I have seen for a long time, I stopped across to the other ground only to find to my horror that nine wickets were down, and just after I arrived a quick return ran out Lingam after a good knock of twenty.

NOT SO BAD

THE total of 97 is a pretty poor one at first sight, but it must be remembered that the Varsity had three or four of their best players away, while the I.R.C. attack was pretty good—only A. H. Madar and Nazarin being missing. I was very glad to find A. R. Minu turning out again, and to get his opinion of the Varsity batting. He said, as was obvious, that there are

weak spots, but he thought the side would come on, and spoke very highly of Lo Tui-cheong's knock, which, though it only totalled thirteen, showed great promise. I discovered that he is a son of an old friend of mine M. W. Lo, and that reminded me that I had seen him but as a schoolboy—Queen's College I think—a season or so ago, and had seen possibilities in his batting then. As he is only in his first year at the Varsity he has plenty of time to develop his game.

By the way, I have a vague idea that I used occasionally to play against M. W. Lo, the Chinese Recreation Club when he sometimes took an afternoon off and played cricket for the eleven—now non-existent, alas—which Ng Sze-ik-wong used to captain.

A NEW BOWLER

WITH R. Singh away in camp, the University put on Mahmood with Gegg. He did not seem very spectacular, but he kept a length and took 6 for 43, a good performance. Gegg has an easy delivery and is on the fast side of medium, but he is rather of the "stock" type. If he could spin the ball a bit more he would do better. He only sent down 4 overs and 6 runs only were scored off him. Lo got a couple of wickets, but they cost 24 in two overs. For the Indians, A. H. Rumjahn and H. T. Barma, both got double figures to give them a fair start. I suppose that with the exception of T. E. Pearce, Rumjahn has played here longer than any active cricketer, unless I count myself one in the strength of an annual appearance for Cambridge.

The two Madars and Nazarin were away, but there were several double figures, and M. I. Rozack hit up 33 while Minu got 19 not out. A three wickets victory.

GENERALLY SPEAKING

THE FIELDING seemed to be up to the usual high standard of both sides. Minu seemed to have found a length quite comfortably, and his return will make an enormous difference to the I.R.C. first eleven. I hear it is just possible that A. R. Abbas may turn out again this season. He was a useful bat, at one time opening the innings, if my memory serves me, but he has not been able to play for the last year or two. I hear the Navy have retired from the first Division, which does not surprise me under the circumstances. I hope they will be able to keep a team going in the Second Division. All things considered I see no reason why the University should not be allowed to take over the Navy fixtures in the first League Division. It would save a great deal of bother in one way, though it would I suppose use an equal amount in the Second Division, as I see from the couple of cards I have that University have booked up in that. And they cannot play two games at once, for I assume that they have no second eleven. If they have it solves it; if not, it's a difficult question.

C.B.S. Crash

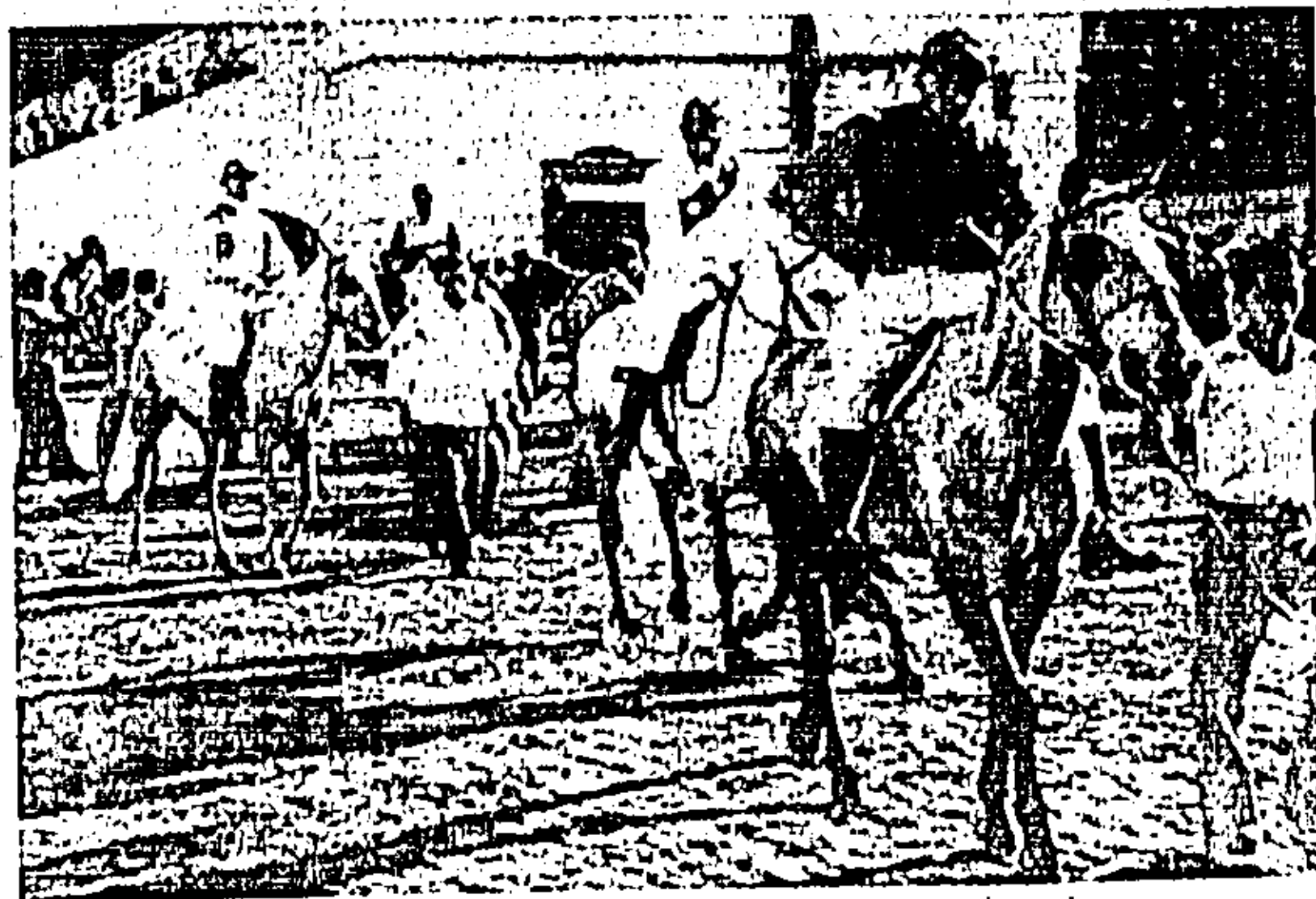
THE CENTRAL British school has been doing so well that it came rather as a surprise to find them go down so heavily before a team of the Club de Recrelo, which was, I think, to all intents and purposes a second eleven; but they did well enough to get them out for 148, seeing that H. A. Barros made 54 and Noronha 29 not out.

But the batting went completely to pieces. Gosano and Noronha were too much for the earlier batsmen, and there was a bad run out. Well, the best bat in the school, alone got double figures, and only just managed to do that. The whole side were out for 26.

However, these things happen, particularly in school cricket, and the side must not be discouraged. The Recrelo attack is, I am inclined to think, the most dangerous of any second division side, especially when bowling on their own wicket.

Hard Hitting

AS I mentioned before, I had a look at the Officers' team



A general view after the paddock parade, with some of the ponies leaving for the field in the Castle Peak Handicap, second section. (Mr. Y. T. Fung) and Sports Venture (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne) in the rear. None of these was placed, the race being won by Wilbur, with Phoenix and Matador second and third.—Rome Photos.

Middleweight Title

Hostak Offered Bout With Ceferino Garcia

NEW YORK, (UP).—Mike Jacobs, outstanding boxing promoter, to-day offered Al Hostak of Seattle a fight with Ceferino Garcia, Filipino battler, for the world middleweight title at the Madison Square Garden on February 2.

Hostak is recognised as the world middleweight titleholder by the National Boxing Association, which controls boxing in the majority of the states, and Garcia is recognised as the champion by the New York Boxing Commission.

Eddie Marino, manager of Hostak, said that Hostak was willing to meet Garcia anywhere except in New York and California, where Hostak also is not recognised as the champion.

MEANWHILE, Cliff Harrison, "Seattle Star" Sports editor, said that Hostak would go on a tour late in November.

Hostak has been idle since he regained the National Boxing Association middleweight crown last June from Solly Kreiger of Brooklyn. Garcia is shortly to leave for Manila to meet Glen Lee in a bout billed as a championship affair in the Philippines capital on December 16.

NO SANCTION YET

JESS Cortes, Filipino promoter, who has arranged the Manila fight, has announced that the bout would be for the world championship, although neither the N.B.A. nor the N.Y.B.C. has yet sanctioned it as such.

The N.B.A. recently announced that it would recognise a Hostak-Garcia bout as a championship affair. Garcia gained N.Y.B.C. recognition as champion by scoring a technical knockout over Freddie Apostoli early this month.

walloping the Other Ranks' bowling all over the place. Whatman, who I have always thought has always gone in far too low down in the batting order for the Army, went in first wicket, and hit up 75 very forcibly, then Godby played characteristically good innings and hit up 65 not out. Hatfield only sent down five overs, and does not in any way seem to have struck his old form this season.

MORE WEAK BOWLING

WHEN the Other Ranks batted, if they did not make quite so much hay of the bowling, they were never in any danger of defeat and ran up 138 for 1 wicket, everyone getting double figures.

I see Corporal Webb went in first wicket, and I think it may suit him better than opening the innings. Seven people had a bowl for the officers, and none of them managed very much, but Pearl, who seems to be bowling much better this year, got 3 for 18 in 3 overs. It was a cheerful game.

Sacrilege

SINCE I began to write this article, I have seen the notice in a paper that Agar's Plough is going to be brought under cultivation for food products. I cannot believe that with so much pasture land waiting the plough that this one of the most well-known and historical of cricket grounds can be abandoned, unless it is as a magnificent gesture.

Cricket at Eton will of course continue—they have other grounds. But one would have thought that tradition would have sacrificed one of these others rather than Agar's Plough.

Golf

CHARITY GAMES YIELD £1,000 FOR WAR FUND

Sale, Cheshire, Oct. 17. HENRY Cotton was beaten two and one in a 36-holes golf match with Dick Burton, British open champion, at Sale, Cheshire, to-day—yet he earned more than £300 for the Red Cross by his defeat.

He has now been beaten all four times in his charity tour. He said afterwards:

"I do seem to have made myself a bit of a coconut-shit, but what does it matter? I admit I didn't play at my best to-day, but I enjoyed every minute of it."

During the afternoon round an approach shot struck a spectator on the head and dazed him.

BALLS AUCTIONED

The balls were autographed by the players and Cotton auctioned them to the crowd. Burton's two brought £15 and £10. Cotton's £10 and £6. Cotton's four charity games have yielded more than £1,000.

About 50,000 cigarettes will be provided for the Forces by a four-ball 18-holes golf match in which W. J. Cox (Wimbledon Park) and Archie Campbell (Combe Hill) beat two other Ryder Cup professionals, Dai Rees (Hindhead) and Alfred Perry (Leatherhead) by one hole at Wimbledon Park.

Dewar Cup Semi-Finals

In the semi-finals of the Dewar Cup golf competition at Kowloon City, W. Kershaw (14) beat A. J. Dennis (6) two and one, and A. E. Davies (6), after being five down at the 13th, beat A. A. Lopes (8) at the 20th.

1939 Field And Track Champions

Here is the complete list of 1939 English track and field champions, with the performances that gave them their victories:

100 yards, A. W. Sweeney, Millican, A. C. 9.9s.
220 yards, C. B. Holmes, Bolton United Harriers, 21.9s.
440 yards, Alan Pennington, Oxford University, A. C. 48.8s.
One mile, S. C. Wooderson, Blackheath Harriers, 4m. 11.8s. (Champion record).
Three miles, C. A. J. Emery, Achilles Club, 14m. 8s. (British record).
Six miles, S. O. A. Palmer, Wales, 30m. 6.4s.
Ten miles, Jean Chapelle, Belgium, 51m. 56s.
Marathon, D. McNab Robertson, Scotland, 2h. 35m. 37s.

Two-mile walk, H. G. Churcher, Bolgrave Harriers, 53m. 31.4s.
Seven-mile walk, H. G. Churcher, Bolgrave Harriers, 53m. 4s.
440-yard relay (4x440), South London Harriers, 3m. 10.4s.
120-yard hurdles, R. J. Drasser, Holland, 14.7s.

440-yard hurdles J. Bosmans, Belgium, 54.9s.
Two-mile, steeplechase, Jean Chappel, Belgium, 10m. 22.4s.
High jump, J. Newman, Lloyds Bank, A. C. 6ft. 2in.
Long jump, W. E. N. Breach, Reading, A. C. 23ft. 6in.

Hop, step and jump, J. Palamiotis, Greece, 40ft. 3 1/4in.
Pole vault, F. R. Webster, Millican, A. C. 12ft. 3in.
Shot-put (16-pound), A. G. J. De Bryn, Holland, 48ft. 6 1/4in.

Hammer throw (16-pound), B. Heallon, Eire, 161ft. 6 1/4in.
Discus throw, N. Syllas, Greece, 161ft. 1 1/4in.
Javelin throw, J. A. McD. McKillop, Millican, A. C. 180ft. 7in.

Tug-of-war (catchweight), Royal Ulster Constabulary.
Tug-of-war (100 stones), Royal Ulster Constabulary.

Jealous Chinchilla Bites Wendy Barrie

Though Wendy Barrie is not one of the very few women in the world who own a chinchilla wrap, she is one of the even fewer women who have been bitten by a chinchilla.

For a scene in "First Kiss" at 20th Century-Fox, Wendy was portraying a model and wore a chinchilla wrap and held a live chinchilla in her hand. She wasn't warned that red fingernails are to the little beasts what a red flag is to a bull, and allowed the chinchilla to get hold of her finger.

The bite was only a puncture, but Wendy had to be taken to the 20th Century-Fox hospital for anti-tetanus treatment. Not the least part of the accident was, Wendy said, that her manicure was "just ruined."

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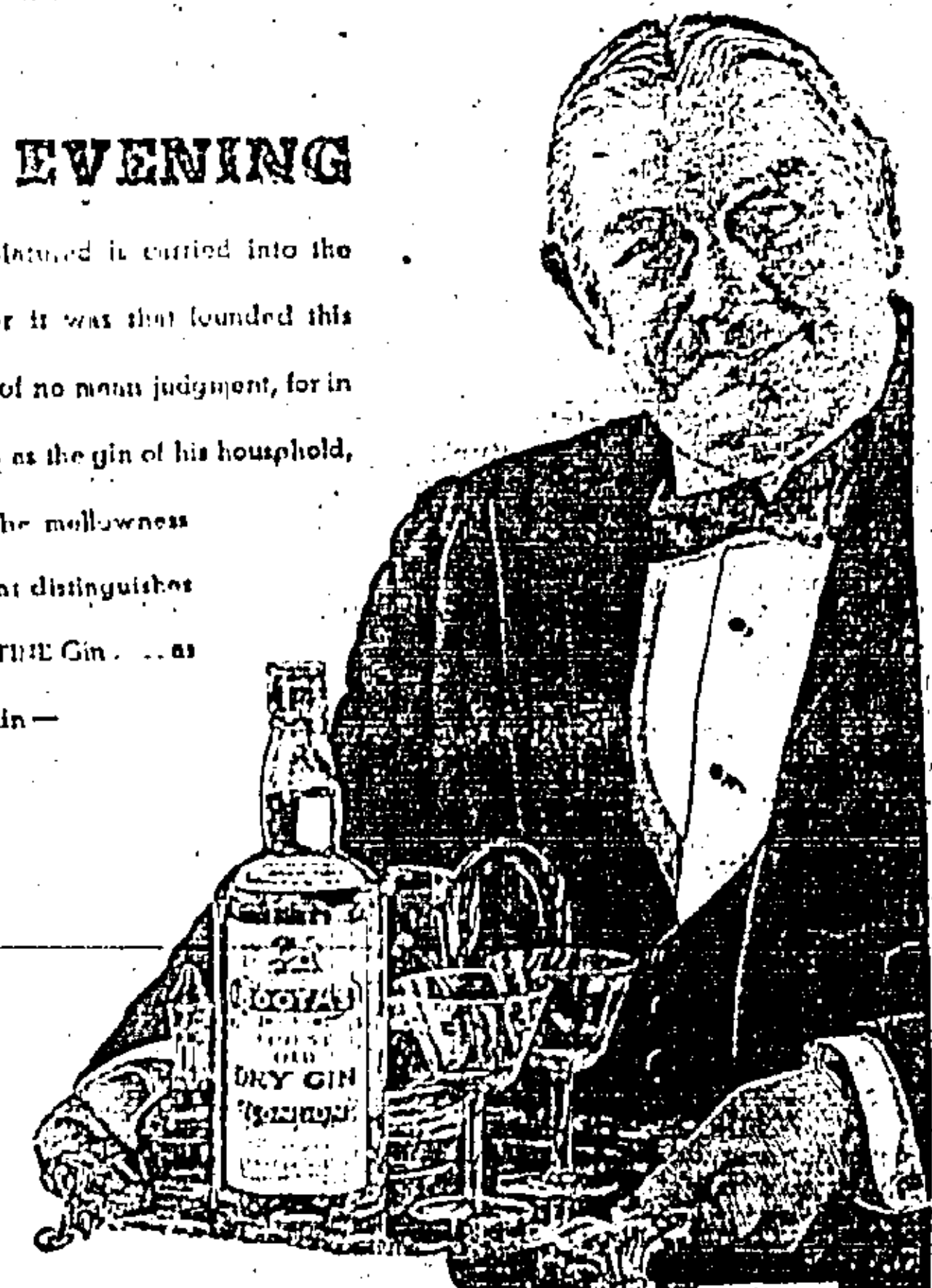
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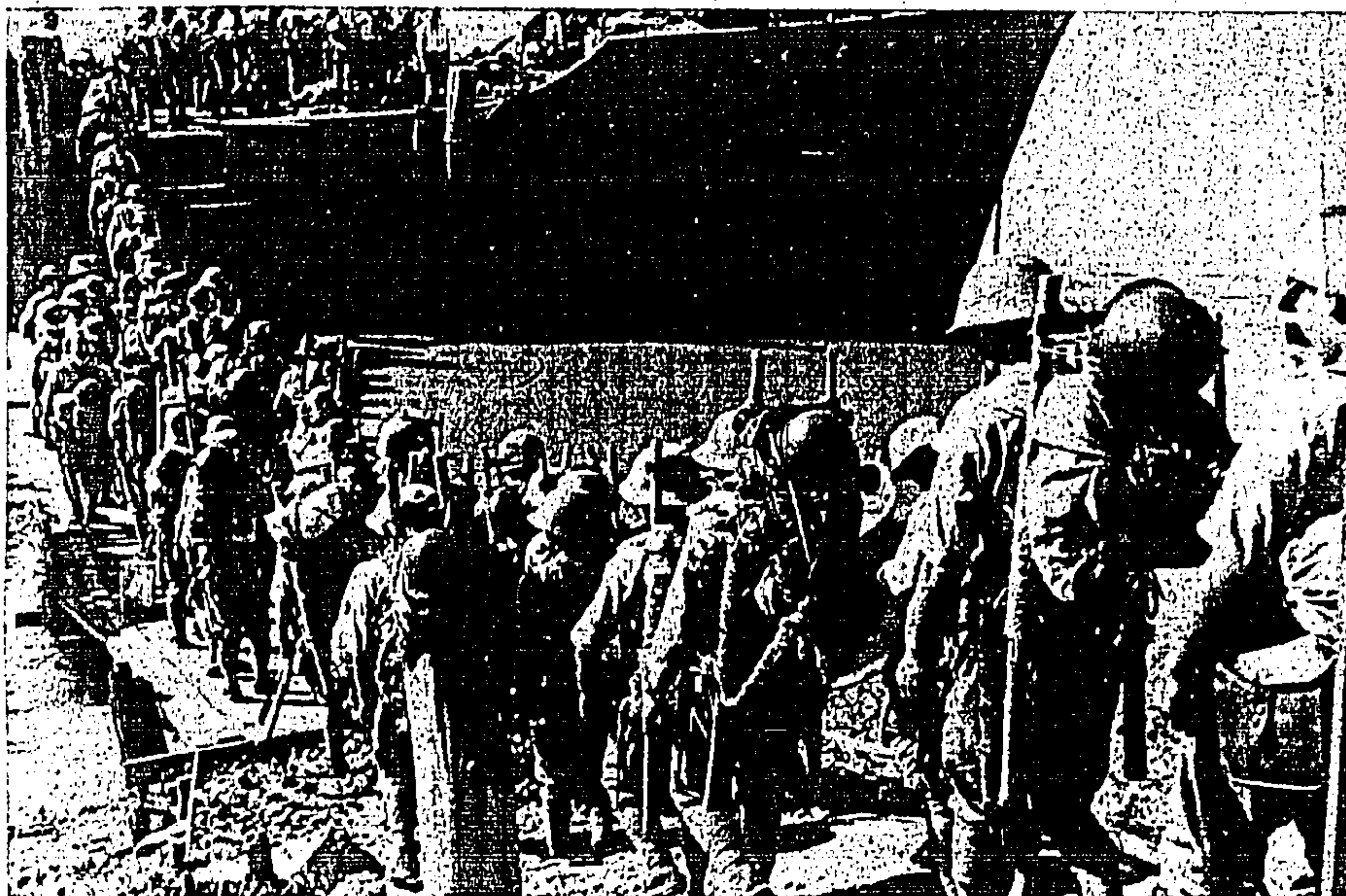
Secretary.



WARFARE IN SOUTH CHINA has taken to the water. Because the Chungshan and other areas between Canton and Macao are a mass of rivers and creeks both the Japanese and Chinese have been forced to take to boats. Photographs on this page are from Chinese and Japanese sources. ABOVE.—Japanese troops crossing the Chungshan River.



THE CHINESE ALSO have taken to boats. Photograph shows a squad of Regulars creeping ashore for a sortie in the West River district. Thousands of small boats are being used by both sides in this peculiar "naval" warfare.

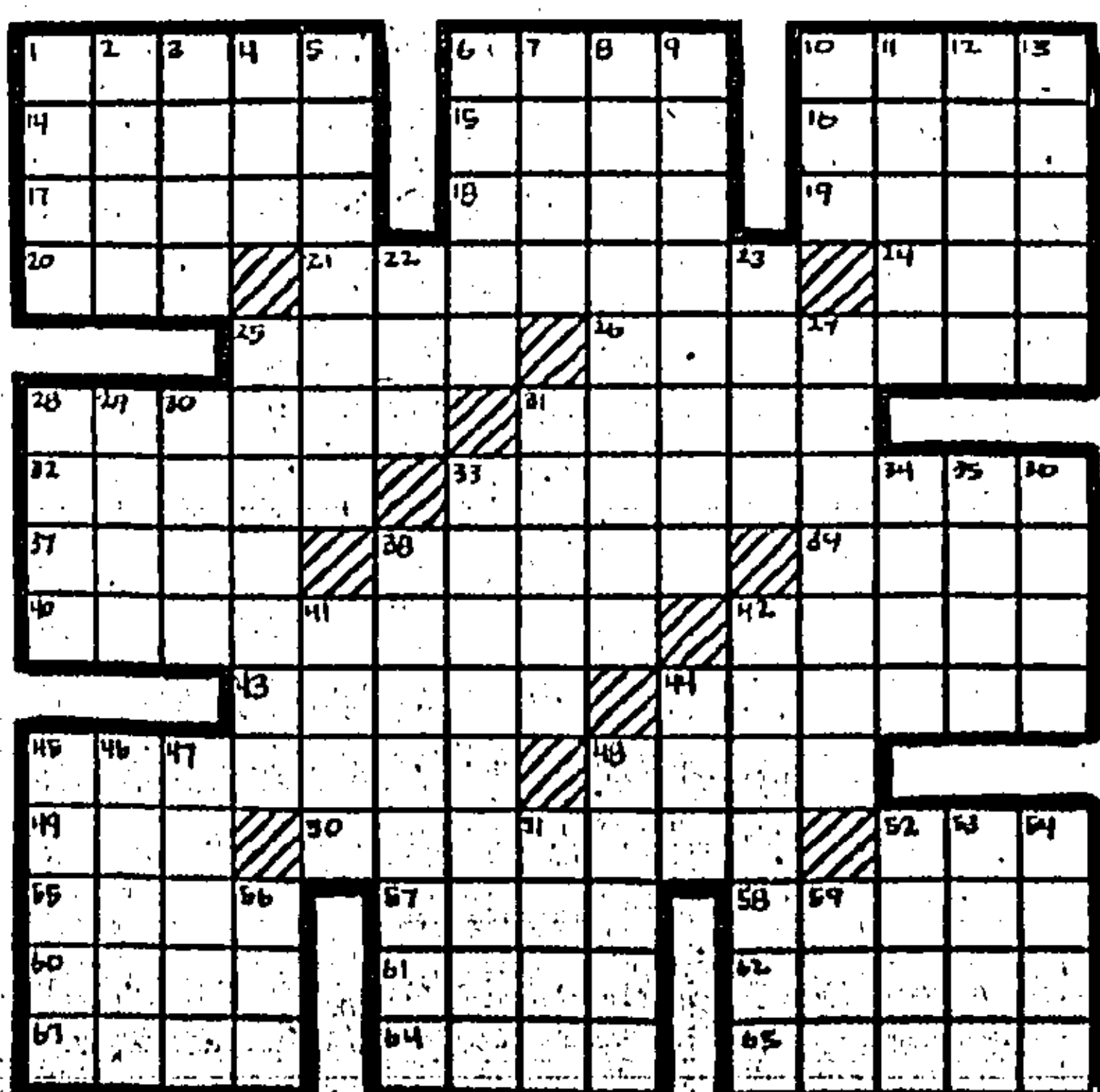


THE JAPANESE are better equipped with vessels than the Chinese, who are forced to rely on skiffs and sampans. Japanese troops are shown going aboard a small shallow-draught steam vessel for patrol duties along the Chungshan River.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

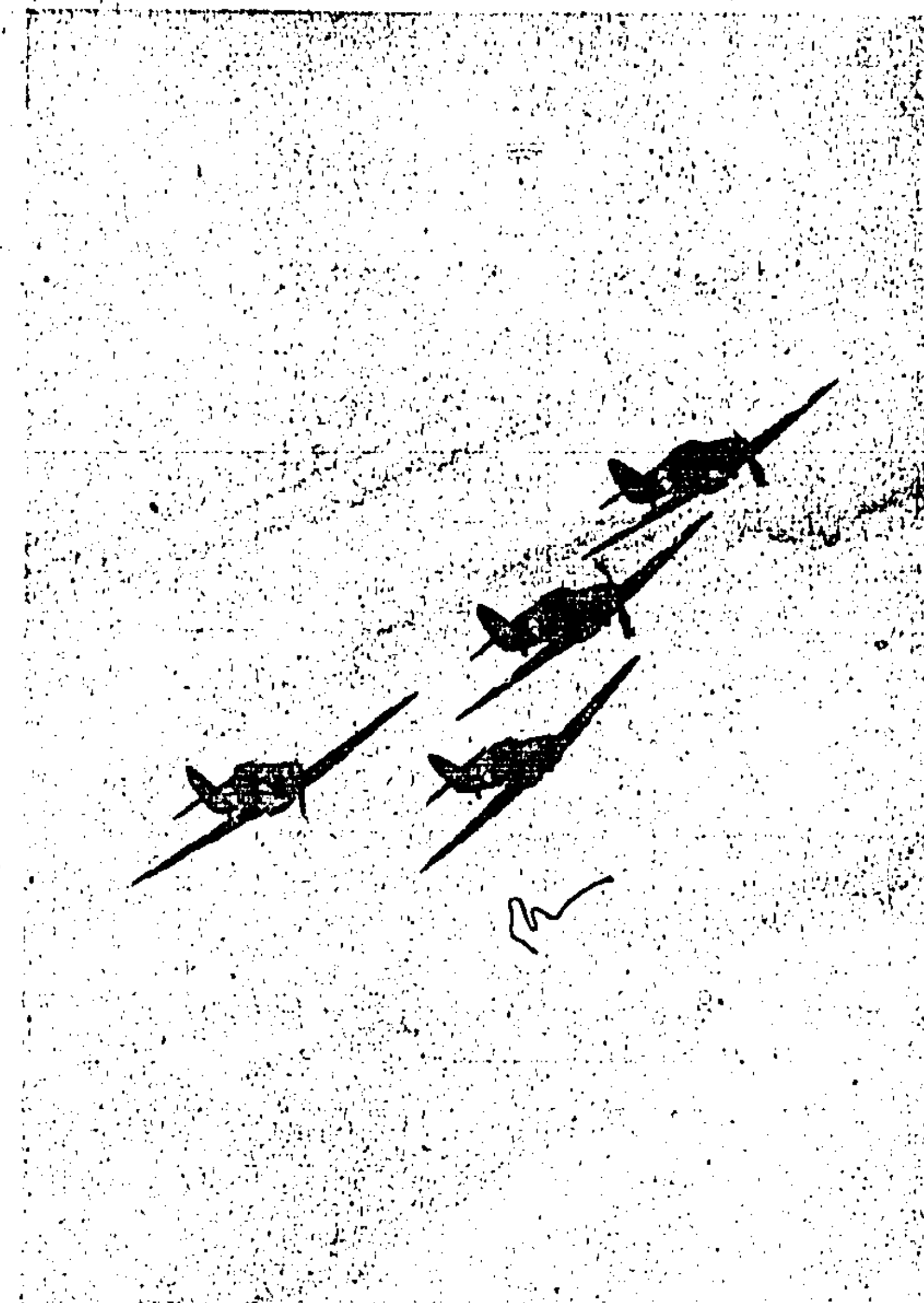
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- Shells of leather
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 - Member of Semites tribe
 - One who adores
 - Force epidemic of death
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 - Latent measure
 - Immodest
 - Theodore
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 - Terminator
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 - Day of week
 - Accord is welcome
 - Wild West show
 - Pat
 - One who takes care of estate
 - Though die
 - Raised structure in church
 - Building support to earth
 - Necessary part
 - End
 - Shneepolds
 - Trustworthy
 - Struck with sudden force
 - Lump of bird
 - Jutting rock
 - Came in
 - Historical period
 - It is too bad
 - Deity
 - Not as high
- DOWN**
- Narrow opening
 - Diffuse on equal terms
 - Greedy
 - Jail (col.)
 - Plural of "hat"
 - British hall to voters
 - Plunderer
 - Draw
 - Rendered sounder by force
 - Scene of action
 - Game resembling hockey
 - West Indian
 - Former English court
 - Imagine to exist
 - Putting cleaning agent on
 - Infinitive
 - Down with (French)
 - Not as much
 - New Zealand
 - Body of clients
 - Proposed metric unit of velocity
 - Main where Olympic games were held
 - Minister to
 - Short letter
 - Netted
 - Used to action
 - Beginning
 - Black hole
 - Angry
 - Will say violently
 - Ireland
 - Water vessel
 - Skulls
 - Observe
 - Eggs



HOSPITALS are some of the buildings which require protection against the possibility of air raids in London. Though most of the patients of London's hospitals have been evacuated to safety areas, the hospitals must be prepared for the reception of air-raid victims. Workmen are here shown piling sandbags outside Westminster Hospital.

PHOTONEWS

WARFARE ON WATER



A SQUADRON of British Hurricane Fighters swooping over Britain in "watching" exercises. These fighters are more than a match for the cumbersome German bombers and would assure them of a warm reception should they attempt to really raid the United Kingdom.—R.A.F. Official Photograph.

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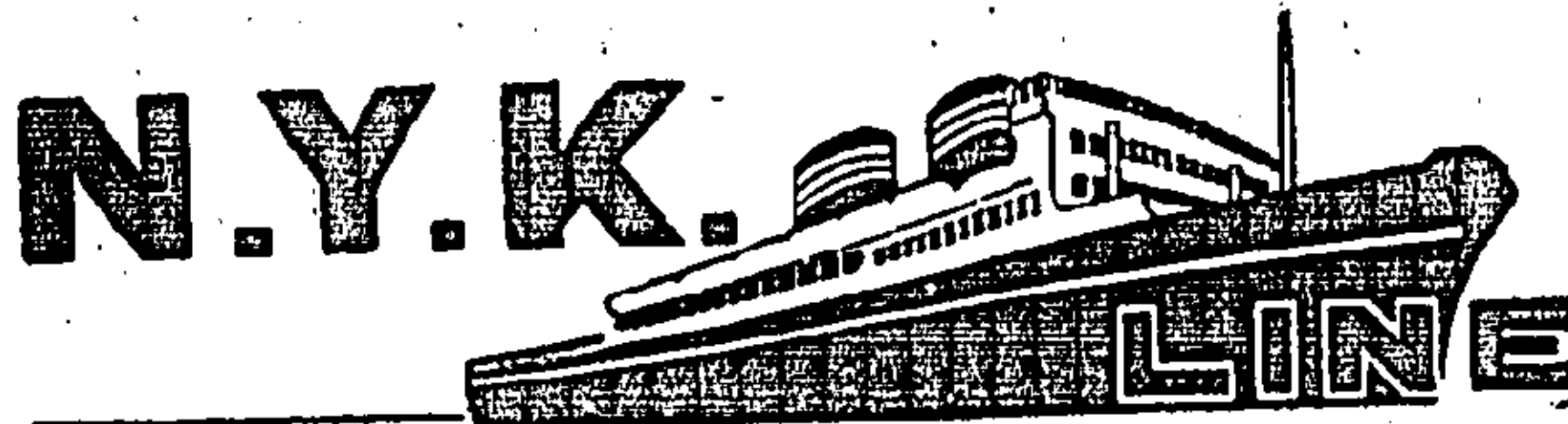
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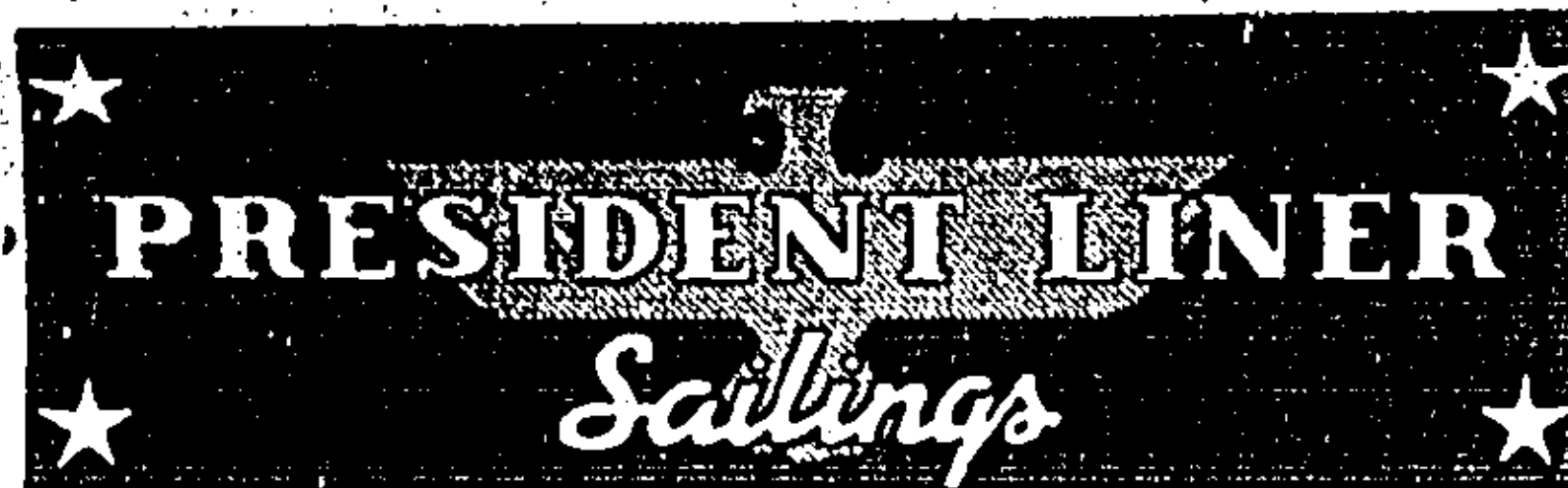
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Knitting Socks

It is surprising how many women refuse to knit socks because of the bug-bear of turning the heel. "If it wasn't for that," one woman said, "I'd love to knit socks for soldiers. But I simply can't face the heel." There is no need, however, to dismiss it like that. It is like grasping a nettle firmly; once mastered the heel loses its nightmarish effect and becomes a pleasant break in the monotony of plain knitting. This is how to tackle it. When the heel is reached, divide the stitches so that half of them are on one needle. If, for example, there are 60 stitches on the sock, 20 on each wire, slip 30 on to one wire (with the back-needle). If there is one, in the center. Keep the rest of the stitches on two wires, 15 on each, and forget about them for the time being.

Now, concentrating on the 30 stitches and beginning on the purl row, knit first 4 stitches plain, then slip 1, knit 1 purl-wise till there are 4 stitches left at the end. Knit 4 plain. This strengthens the heel. Turn and knit a plain row. Repeat these two rows until the heel is long enough—usually 30 rows, ending on a purl row.

The Shaping

There are different ways of tackling the next part of the heel—the shaping. This is one method. Knit (on the plain row) into the middle of the wire (15 stitches), then knit 3 past the middle and take the next 2 stitches together. Turn, slip the first stitch, purl 3 to get back to the centre, then 3 beyond and purl 2 together. Turn, slip first stitch, knit back to opening left by turning, take the next 2 stitches together and continue in this manner until all the stitches beyond the gaps on either side have been knitted up. End on a plain row.

Now comes the time to pick up the side stitches. If you have slipped the first stitch of each row when knitting up the heel you will find that it makes the task much simpler. Pick up the stitches on your wire and begin to pick up the first side—one stitch for each ridge made by your slipped stitches. When you have picked up the first side, put the stitches on the two wires at the front together (30), knit along, and begin picking up the other side. Add to your wire the stitches left at the top when shaping the heel.

The heel is now completed and all that remains is the intake. Take in (only on the 2 side rows) every other row until the stitches are reduced again to 15 (or half the amount on the front wire.)

It may seem complicated the first time you try it, but it is worth persevering, and becomes simpler as you go on. To strengthen the heel still further some knitters use a silk thread in conjunction with their wool. This gives a strong finish and minimises holes.

Lavinia Derwent.



To make this pert-looking little suit even more chic, the designers have used the new navy green colour in a mossy celanese rayon and wool crepe weave and have reverted to a type of the Gibson pleats of a few years back.



Irene Dunn is noted in Hollywood for her smart attire and ability to wear clothes. The lovely actress shows how important it is to wear your finery becomingly by donning this period suit, 1927 with modern ease. The jacket is beige kasba with a cross fox collar and loose silhouette. Her shirtwaist is beige satin and her hat is the cloche, or turban of that period's millinery trend.

How To Make Bread

BREAD, if home-made, well repays the labour involved. To attain success, a hot oven is required, so the best plan is to set aside a special day in the week for this operation, and make a copious supply in order to avoid waste of fuel. Good yeast should have a fresh fruity smell, should be rather moist to the touch, and should break off short and crisp, and not be dry and crumbly.

It can be obtained at most bakers and costs about 1d per oz. One can also get cakes of compressed yeast, which can be kept in a tin in your store cupboard. Your chemist could probably supply you with this.

Proportions of Yeast to Use

One oz yeast is required to raise 3½ lbs flour and this makes a quarter or 4 lb loaf; 1½ oz of yeast is sufficient for 7 lbs flour, but in making smaller quantities of bread use a little more yeast in proportion. To be a successful bread-maker, you must pay attention to the following rules:—

Fresh, evaporated or powdered milk used in making bread, makes the bread keep fresh longer than when simply made with water. Water in which potatoes were boiled is also good.

The addition of a very little sugar makes the dough rise faster, than when mixed without sugar. It also improves the colour of the crust.

It is important to keep dough at a steady temperature while it is rising. The best way to do this is to stand the bread-bowl in a basin of warm water—82 degrees Fahrenheit—is a good temperature for the dough.

To cream yeast means to stir it with a little sugar till it becomes moist.

White Bread

3½ lbs plain household flour.
1 level tablespoonful salt.
1 level dessertspoonful caster sugar.
1 oz yeast.

1½ pint milk and water.
Time 45 minutes: temperature—gas Regulo mark 7; electricity 450 degrees Fahrenheit.

Warm all utensils before beginning to make bread. Sieve the flour and salt together and place in warm bowl. Put yeast and sugar in a cup, and stir with a spoon till they are a smooth liquid.

Add a little tepid water to the yeast. Make a well in the centre of flour, pour in the yeast. Stir into the yeast sufficient flour from the sides to form a thick batter, sprinkle a little of the flour over the top.

Cover the basin with a clean cloth, and let it stand in a warm place for 15 minutes to sponge, then add sufficient tepid water and milk to make into a smooth elastic dough. Knead well on a floured board, pressing the knuckles well into the dough. When it is a smooth dough, put it back in the bowl, and cover again with the cloth. Leave to rise in a warm place 1½ hour. It should then have doubled its original size.

Now divide the dough into 2 or 3 equal portions, knead again lightly, and place in greased tins, and set to rise again 15 minutes. Let the loaves rise, until they reach to the top of the tin. Bake for ¾ hour in a hot oven at first, then cook more slowly after the first 10-15 minutes.

Note:—Tepid water is 1 part boiling to 2 parts cold.

Cover the basin with a clean cloth, oven, turn it out of the tin, and cool on a sieve, or support the loaf so that the air will reach all sides. If the loaves stand flat, the bottom crust will become moist; if wrapped in a cloth, it will do the same. Do not

put away in the bread box till entirely cold.

If you are not baking the loaves in tins, make the dough into rounds with your hand, then cut across the centre both ways. This is called a Coburg loaf. For a cottage loaf take 2 pieces dough, one about twice the size of the other. Press the smaller on the larger, and make a hole through the centre with your thumb (floured) or a thick wooden skewer.

Wholemeal Bread

1 lb white flour, 2½ lbs wholemeal flour, 1 oz yeast, 1 large teaspoon caster sugar, 1 level tablespoon salt, 1½ pint water or 1 pint water and ¾ pint milk.

Wholemeal flour absorbs more water than white flour, and if sufficient liquid is not used, the bread is dry and hard.

Make same as white bread.

Fruit Malt Loaf

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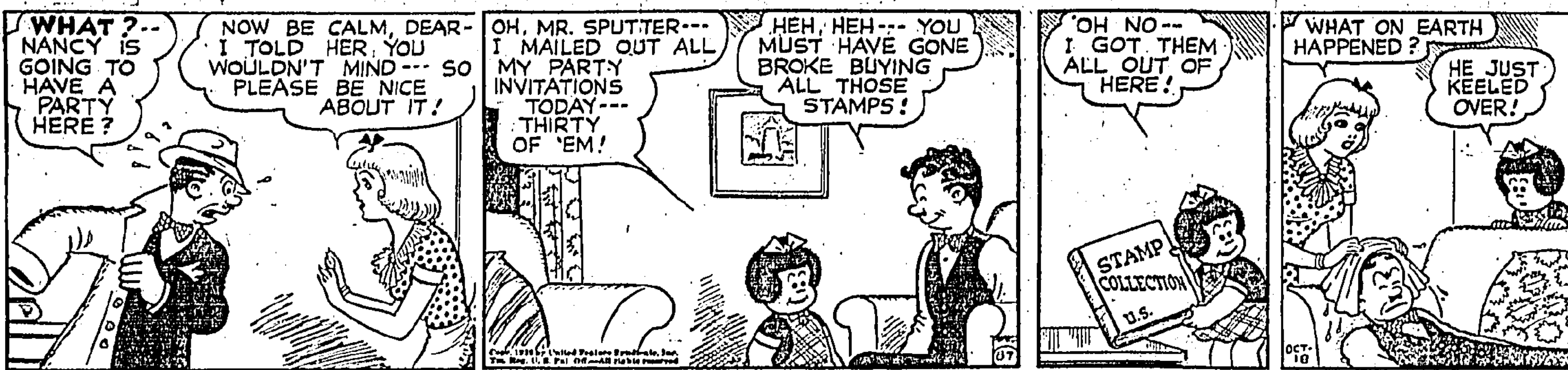
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Baby 'Evacuated' 6,000 Miles—Across Atlantic

TRAVELLING alone across the Atlantic, unperturbed by wartime dangers of the sea, is a 16-months-old baby, James McJanet Burnbull, son of a Birmingham factory director.

He is being "evacuated" to a safe area—6,000 miles away to Vancouver.

On arrival in Canadian port the child will be met by his grandmother, Mrs. James Turnbull, who has never seen her grandchild, and who has travelled the 3,000 miles across Canada with toys and baby comforts to greet him.

When the parents of the child saw him off on his lonely journey from a British port they were assured that the child would be specially cared for and delivered safely into the hands of his grandmother.

A.R.P. Alarmed By Lion Menace

HARROW A.R.P. WARDENS, MR. G. A. BENDELL, OF WESTWAY, PINNER, HAS WRITTEN TO THE HOME OFFICE ASKING THEM TO REMOVE "A MENACE TO PUBLIC SAFETY" IN THE BACK GARDEN OF A HOUSE IN CUCKOO HILL-ROAD, PINNER.

The menace is a 260lb. lion—18-months-old Rota—who idles his days jumping through an old car tyre in his cage.

Its owner, Mr. George Thomson, won Rota in a bet. Mr. Thomson wagers a friend that an exhibition by his firm in Manchester would be a record. A lion cub was his friend's wager. The exhibition, topped all records. So Mr. Thomson got his lion.

He had a cage built in his garden, and Rota moved in.

Within a few weeks Pinner residents were taking sides. Some went to the police with a petition demanding Rota's destruction.

Fear Of Escape

They were told that as long as the animal was no disorderly, noisy, or unsanitary, nothing could be done. Mr. Thomson proved that Rota was the ideal lion.

Later, just before the war, the anti-Rota-ites protested that Rota would roar horribly, might even escape in an air raid. Mr. Thomson argued that the cage was as strong as any at the Zoo, built by the same people.

Forming the pro-Rota faction were the complete schoolboy population of Harrow, besides all their parents and friends. Every Sunday Mr. Thomson displayed his pet, on an average, to 50 families from all over Middlesex. Mr. Thomson was so tried of the continual criticism that when war was declared he 'phoned a veterinary surgeon and asked him to shoot Rota. The man called and said it would be a shame to kill such a fine animal.

"Tame As Kitten"

Then A.R.P. Warden Mr. G. A. Bendell visited Mr. Thomson. He pointed out the danger of having a lion in the district if there were to be a raid. Why, the lion's roaring alone would terrify all Mr. Thomson then tried to have the animal evacuated, but found that all the animal homes in the country were full.

So Mr. Bendell wrote to the Home Office last week. Mr. Thomson said: "To say that Rota is a public menace is ridiculous. Rota is as tame as a kitten."

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SAFE DEPOSIT IN CHALK PIT

A BRIGHTON building society have rented a chalk pit on the South Downs for the building of a safe deposit.

The pit has been let by Brighton Waterworks Committee for £35 a year, for two years.

REICHSTAG FIRE HERO

Announces His War Aims

M. DMITROV, the Bulgarian Communist who was the centre of the Reichstag fire trial, is the latest to publish his war aims.

They are brief enough in themselves ("To end the bourgeois war by working-class uprising"), but in accord with the present habit M. Dmitrov takes 12 columns of his newspaper to say it.

Dmitrov's superb insolence when a lone figure set on trial for his life by Hitler earned him admiration. Today, as secretary of the Communist International, his pleading in which he excuses Hitler for responsibility for the war is more impudence which will only create astonishment.

Charging U.S.A.

Thus Dmitrov accuses the Allies of forcing war on Germany when Germany refused to make war on Russia. He charges the United States with using the struggle to consolidate her strategic defences. And he quotes as an example of Russia's respect for small nations her handing over to Lithuania the province of Vilna, which she seized from Poland.

U.S. Parley In Shanghai

Admiral Hart Meets Ambassador Johnson

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—SHANGHAI Nov. 20 (UP).—Admiral Hart and Mr. Clarence Gauss, American Consul General, to-day met the United States Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, upon his arrival aboard the President Colling.

They escorted him to the U.S.S. Augusta where a conference is being held to-night because Admiral Hart and Mr. Gauss are leaving soon for Manila.

Mr. Johnson is going to Peiping in the near future.

Reduced Activity On Saar Front

PARIS, 20 (Reuters).—A communiqué issued to-day states that there was reduced activity on the front. There were a few patrols and some artillery fire.

Steel Forts Bar Invaders—So Peasants Carry On BRITISH TROOPS DIG IN ON WESTERN FRONT

By WEBB MILLER

United Press War Correspondent with the British Army

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE.

THOUSANDS OF BRITISH TROOPS—HOW MANY THOUSANDS IS SECRET—TO-DAY OCCUPY VITAL SECTIONS OF THE VAST FRENCH LINE OF FORTIFICATIONS SOMEWHERE BETWEEN THE CHANNEL AND SWITZERLAND.

I entered at various points the extreme front line positions occupied for the moment by British troops. At intervals of a few hundred yards I saw massive steel and concrete forts of a defensive strength such as existed at only a few points during the last war around Verdun.

A number of points occupied by the British consisted of mammoth pillboxes constructed of concrete and of a strength never approached during the last war.

With recollections of what happened at Verdun it was difficult to conceive this line of fortifications being passed by any army, no matter what the weight of its artillery.

The Optimist

At various points in the front positions British soldiers were digging more defensive positions and gun emplacements. Within a few yards of these warlike activities, French peasants continued to harvest their sugar beets and late forage crops, while the British strung broad-belts of barbed wire through their fields.

At one place I saw an optimistic peasant ploughing for next year's crop while the British were digging zig-zag trenches across his field. Another farmer continued to build his house within a dozen yards of an anti-aircraft emplacement which was in course of construction.

Difficult

As a typical instance, I entered a huge steel and concrete fort with walls and roof twelve feet thick. Less than a hundred yards in front ran anti-tank obstacles. It was difficult to imagine a tank, no matter what its size, negotiating this barrier. And through the periscope projecting through the roof of this particular fort I could see other forts of equal strength which covered the entire area for thousands of yards.

In front of these positions were strong barriers of barbed wire. Newly-dug communication trenches led from the back positions to the strong points.

An obliging British N.C.O. showed us the armament of this particular fort, and how this or that type of gun, in the field, just in front of his position, could be destroyed by touching a button.

Zig-Zagged

The communication trenches zig-zagged through the back gardens of peasants, where children played and women were still hanging out the washing.

The British N.C.O. in charge of this little garrison pointed out the metal container which held rations for several weeks in case he and his men were cut off. He proudly pointed to the supply of ammunition, and seemed confident that he and his men could hold out for weeks.

Straw was strewn on the concrete floor as bedding. By a simple movement he could operate a steel flap, erect the periscope, and obtain a clear view of the entire countryside.

On our way to the front we passed through towns where, as an officer described it, "There was not a cat a week ago." But to-day many had returned and busy markets were in progress in the town squares, doing a big trade with the Tommies.

Ingenuous

Even in the comparatively narrow sector we visited an immense amount of human labour has been expended in contriving the most effective and ingenious defences against an invader.

Again to-day we passed miles of drab, olive-coloured and business-like-looking British columns, and at no time during the day did I see a single horse used for Army transport or a single soldier on foot—everything in a modern army travels on rubber tyres at thirty to forty miles an hour.

An amazing feature of modern warfare is the way in which troops are concealed. Except for the necessary transport on the roads, and the troops digging defensive works, you can pass through the countryside and never realise that tens or hundreds of thousands of men are billeted there. Even the steel helmets are camouflaged.

Journalists in cars are instructed to proceed at intervals of a few hundred yards, not to congregate at headquarters, and to make their halts under trees or cover.

Rim To Rim

During to-day's journey we passed through areas which I had known during the last war where not a house remained intact, and where the earth, as far as the eye could see, was pitted, rim to rim, with shell holes. To-day crops were being harvested there by patient slow-moving peasants.

HOWEVER MELANCHOLY ONE'S THOUGHTS IN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO AVOID BEING IMPRESSED BY THE INDOUBTABLE TENACITY OF THE FRENCH PEASANT WHO GOES ON PLOUGHING FOR NEXT YEAR'S CROP WITHIN A FEW YARDS OF WAR.

'My Son's An A.B.'

RONALD HOWARD, 21-year-old son of film star Leslie Howard, was working one day as a reporter on the London "Sunday Chronicle"; the next he was an able-bodied seaman in the Navy.

"A few days after war broke out Ronald and two friends who were at Cambridge University with him decided that they would join the Navy and stick together like the "Three Musketeers," said his father.

"Though none had any previous experience of the sea, they were all signed on as A.B.'s and are now serving in a yacht which was taken over by the Admiralty."

Urged Armistice But Changed His Mind

LONDON.—Sir Arnold Wilson, 55-year-old M.P. who on Oct. 10 advocated an armistice, is now convinced that the war with Germany must be fought to a finish. Sir Arnold has expressed his determination to "do his bit."

He announced that he has been passed as medically fit and is joining the R.A.F. for flying duties. Sir Arnold saw a great deal of flying with the R.A.F. while serving in Baghdad in the last year.

Saving Bombs From Bombs

Radium bombs are protected from high explosive bombs at New Westminster Hospital.

Fifty feet of steel tubing, 15 inches wide, was sunk into the gravel beneath the hospital during the week-end. When lined and finished it will provide a complete "safe-deposit" for the hospital's radium bombs and their contents—6 grammes of radium salts valued at between £30,000 and £40,000.

This work has been carried out so that it may be possible to bring back Westminster's six grammes of radium from a similar well at the Royal Cancer Hospital, where it was deposited at the outbreak of war.

The tube will be the nightly home of the radium bombs and their "hide out" in the event of an air raid.

Five Monks "Join Up"

FOR the first time in the history of Buckfast Abbey, Devon, five monks have cast off their sombre black habits and gone out into the world.

They are now chaplains with the British troops "Somewhere in France."

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"It has taken a war to sweep aside monastic convention," the Lord Abbot, Dom Bruno Fehrenbacher, said.



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Beginning Of Unrestricted Warfare

London, Nov. 20. The naval authorities believe that the sinking of the six ships in the east coast area which caused an estimated loss of 150 passengers, signalled the beginning of unrestricted German sea warfare. They discount the possibility of mines in the stream across the shipping lanes getting there by accident.

Some survivors believe that the mines were adrift chained together in pairs in order to hit the ship on both sides.

The greatest disaster was the sinking of the Simon Bolivar, which is estimated to have caused the loss of only 250 survivors have been listed.

Among other victims was the Lithuanian vessel Tarna which was lost with one dead.

Mines are drifting over a wide area and some have been swept to the British coast. It is said that these could not be British mines which become automatically harmless when they break from their moorings.

The Hague Government is awaiting more explicit information before lodging a protest.—United Press.

Kaiser's Sympathy

Leeds, Nov. 20. The Press in the North, owing to the delicate position of neutrality, still does not comment on the sinking of the Simon Bolivar but pays tribute to British rescue work. The ex-Kaiser has sent a message of sympathy to Queen Wilhelmina.—Reuter Bulletin.

On Threat List

Berlin, Nov. 20. A second list has been issued of allied merchant vessels, comprising 30 British and eight French, to be subject to instant torpedoing without warning. The largest named in the list is a Royal Mail steamer of 22,000 tons.—United Press.

Yugo-Slavian Sunk

London, Nov. 20. Twenty-two members of the crew of the mined steamer Blackhill including the Captain, have landed at an English port.

Similarly saved are 13 members of the Scandinavian vessel Borjesson. Eight are injured and it is believed that six others are lost.

The Carica Milen, 6,000 tons, Yugo-Slav registry, struck a mine off the east coast and sank.—Reuter.

Seven Ships Lost

London, Nov. 20. The number of ships now sunk by mines in the North Sea totals seven. The latest addition is the British collier Torchbearer. Four of the crew of 13 have been landed on the east coast badly injured, while the remainder are missing.—Reuter Bulletin.

Other Ships Mined

London, Nov. 20. In addition to the Simon Bolivar sunk by German mines off the east coast, according to an official announcement, was the Italian steamer Gracia in which five were killed by the explosion and 16 missing. The Swedish steamer Borjesson is believed to have suffered the loss of six and injuries to eight. Other losses were the British steamer Blackhill, of which 22 survivors were landed and the Yugo-Slav vessel Carica Milen, the fate of whose crew is unknown.—Reuter.

NO MORE COLONIES

Washington, Nov. 19. Mr. Ernest Gruening, former Director of the Division of Territories and Island Possessions of the Department of the Interior, states he is convinced that a Democracy "has no business having colonies" and recommended preparing the territories for eventual political equality with the States. "Statehood has been found undesirable for some in specific instances. We must at least work out the equivalent and permit the people to enjoy all the rights and privileges of citizenship in the fullest sense," he declared.—United Press.

Taxation Concessions

U.S. Gesture To Manufacturers

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Nov. 20 (UP).—It has been learned that President Roosevelt has assured the Army and Navy departments that preferential tax treatment will be accorded to manufacturers intending to expand their facilities for national defence needs.

It is reported that the Internal Revenue Department will be able to accord special tax treatment which will not require new legislation.

It is understood that concessions will be incorporated in agreements between the manufacturers and the Government, and that the rate of plant depreciation and obsolescence needed for computing purposes will be stipulated in advance.

S'HAH OFFICIAL RELEASED

CHUNGKING, Nov. 20 (Central).—J. O. Egeberg, Danish Probationary Sergeant of the Shanghai Municipal Council police force, who was arrested by Japanese Gendarmes in the western district shortly after noon on November 19, was released in the evening, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

The two Chinese policemen and a female searcher who were arrested at the same time are understood to be still under detention.

Stock Market Shows A Good Tone

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Gilt-edged holdings were again higher to-day, while home industrial strengthened in a good demand, which reveals a shortage of stock. Wall Street was irregular.

NEW U.S. ENVOY TO FINLAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
STOCKHOLM, Nov. 20 (UP).—The American Ambassador to Moscow, Mr. Laurence Steinhardt, arrived here to-day from Finland.

LATE NEWS

KWANGSI INVASION

Chungking, Nov. 20. While the latest Chinese field dispatches from Kwangsi place the northward advancing Japanese forces within a striking distance of Nanning, officers emphasize that this is only to be expected since Nanning is only 100 miles from Fakhai.

After the occupation of Fongshing and Yamechow the Japanese forces advanced northward from Yamechow on Saturday morning in several columns. Vanguards of the Japanese appear to have already crossed the Kwangsi border for they were reported to be eight miles from the Kwangsi border yesterday morning. Confidence of the Chinese high command in the military situation in Kwangsi is indicated in the delay in the return to his Kwailin headquarters of General Pui Chung-hsi, Chief of the General Staff of the Chinese Army, and concurrently Director of Generalissimo's South-west Headquarters, who is at present attending the sixth plenary session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang in Chungking.—Reuter.

No Early Opposition

Chungking, Nov. 20. It is reliably reported that despite Japanese occupation of small villages outside and inside the Kwangsi border north of Yamechow, the main battles are beginning to be fought. It is said that the Chinese troops are expected to offer desperate resistance on the last line protecting Nanning. So far no big battles have been participated in by the main Chinese forces.—United Press.

Japanese Advance

Shanghai, Nov. 20. Japanese reports say that two detachments of the Japanese vanguard in Kwangsi have occupied Tangpao, south of Panchin River, and continued to drive along the Yamechow-Nanning highway, conquering the Chinese reports that the Japanese are not taking this route.

It is stated that the detachments occupied Tingsi, Natan and Nehen in the Tangpao Valley at noon on Saturday.

Tangpao is a strategic commodity distribution point 40 miles south-east of Nanning.—United Press.

French Precaution

Kunming, Nov. 20. A Hanoi dispatch states that large numbers of French Foreign Legion and Annamite troops have taken up their positions in Indo-China bordering on Kwangtung and Kwangsi. This is a precautionary measure against violation of French neutrality by Japanese operations.—International.

KAISER'S ESCAPE

Doorn, Nov. 20. The ex-Kaiser had a miraculous escape yesterday at 10.30 a.m. while walking in the park. A light cyclone swept less than 50 feet away and broke down three beech trees three feet thick.—United Press.

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, NOV. 20 (DOMEI).—IT IS RELIABLY REPORTED THAT GERMAN FLEET UNITS HAVE STARTED SIMULTANEOUSLY FROM THEIR BASES IN VARIOUS OCEANS TO START AN OCEANIC GUERRILLA WARFARE AGAINST THE ALLIED FLEETS AND MERCHANT SHIPPING.

German military authorities are understood to have obtained Hitler's permission to challenge the Allies to sea and in the air before attempting a decisive overland battle.

RAIDER ON CAPE ROUTE

**German Ship Puts
Out To Sea**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
CAPE TOWN, Nov. 20 (UP).—A 21-knot armed German merchant-man has escaped into the Atlantic and now directly menaces the important Cape route from Australia, New Zealand and the Far East to the United Kingdom.

She is the 16,662-ton German East Africa Line's steamer Windhuk, the most modern of the company's fleet of eleven vessels.

The Windhuk, her silver-grey hull repainted in battleship-grey, slipped from Lobito Bay in Portuguese West Africa during the week-end.

She is reported to be fully armed for predatory raiding purposes, and is disguised as a British merchantman.

The crew consists of picked men from the crews of several German vessels which have been anchored in Lobito Bay since the outbreak of hostilities. The vessels include several others of the German East Africa Line's fleet.

Lost Fleet In War
The normal speed of the Windhuk, which was launched in 1930, is 18 knots, but it is believed that she can do over 21 knots.

The German East Africa Line is the most important Nazi shipping concern trading to Africa. It lost its entire fleet of 22 vessels after the Great War, when they were surrendered as a result of the Treaty of Versailles.

Since 1926, however, a new fleet has been built up. The Windhuk is the latest of this fleet.

Lobito Bay is the harbour for the city of Angola, important Portuguese West African railway seaport.

**GERMAN STEAMERS IN
KOBE PREPARE FOR SEA**

HOW some of the seven German merchant ships lying in Kobe Harbour were seen taking on board sand and bags and were protecting their top decks, was described to a "Telegraph" representative by officers of a British steamer which arrived here this morning from Japan.

Crews of the German vessels were all living on board, and many of the ships had camouflaged their identity by painting

It is further reported that German naval strategists propose to attack the British fleet separately with a view to prejudicing Britain's command of the sea, while attacks on commercial shipping will be made in an attempt to intercept the transport of war materials from abroad.

German submarine forces, according to reliable reports, are not only haunting the British home waters but are also attempting to move out to the Pacific and Indian Oceans for the purpose of intercepting the supply of materials from India, Australia and Canada.

It is recalled in this connection that the German military authorities recently threatened to sink the Allied shipping without warning on the ground that they are all provided with arms.

U-Boat Failure
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 21 (UP).—Germany's decision to fear up another "scrap of paper"—the international convention regulating mine warfare—is believed to have been decided upon as a result of her heavy losses of U-boats.

The German navy is undoubtedly finding it increasingly difficult to operate submarines on the surface and is, therefore, substituting the mine for the torpedo. Mines can be released while the submarine is well below the surface.

The German type of mine differs from the British, which becomes harmless if it breaks away from its moorings. The German type remains lethal right up to the time of explosion.

Surveying the German submarine losses, an official source to-day expressed the opinion that the replacement of competent crews represents a much greater difficulty for Germany than replacing submarines.

It requires several years to train a competent submarine commanding officer.

In the 1914-18 war about ten of the most skilled U-boat commanders were credited with 75 per cent. of the Allied losses.

Unrestricted Warfare
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 21 (UP).—Well-informed circles believe that Germany's threat of unrestricted warfare against shipping, both Allied

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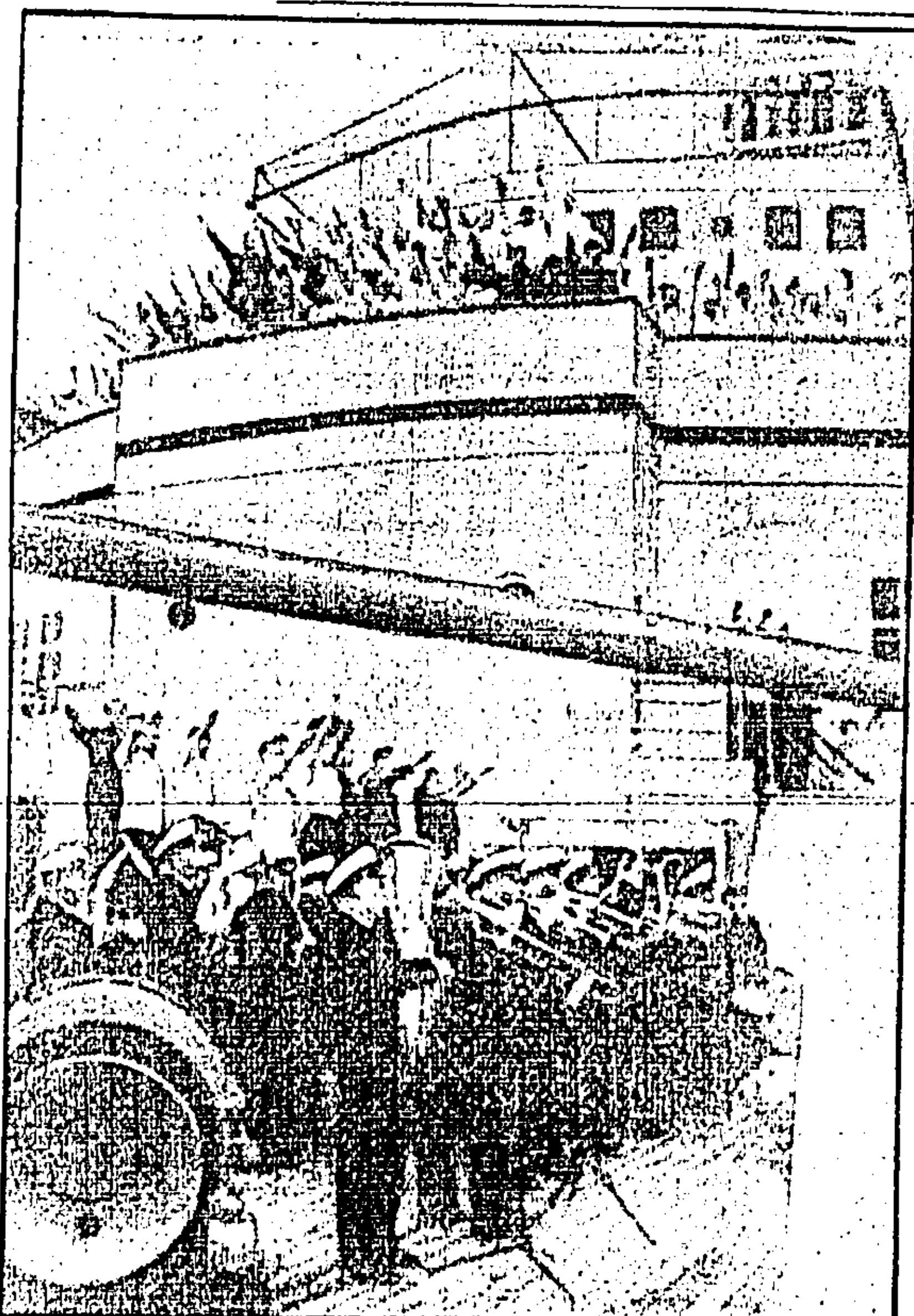
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**BREMEN
DRAMA
IN
PHOTO**

Amazing Revelations At Singapore Inquiry

Sirdhana Could Have Been Saved By Shot



THIS PHOTOGRAPH, exclusive to the "Hongkong Telegraph", shows the Nazi liner Bremen's crew singing the Nazi anthem after swearing an oath to sink the ship rather than surrender her to the Allies.

**Callous Murder Of Women And Children In
Dutch Liner Brings Storm Of Press Protests**

WAVE OF HORROR SWEEPS BRITAIN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 21 (UP).—A wave of indignation and horror is sweeping Great Britain as a result of the week-end Nazi massacre of innocent women and children on the High Seas.

The indignation is typified by the headlines in the morning newspapers.

The "Daily Herald": "Germany's first crime in the new war on neutral ships. A U-boat laid the mines that sank the Dutch liner."

The "Daily Mirror": "Babies Are Nothing To Him."

The "Daily Express" (transferring its Editorial to the front page): "Humanity owes nothing to the German leaders who sink a ship bearing infants in arms and little children. When Germany is defeated, this villain should be destroyed."

Together with the pathetic pictures of the Simon Bolivar survivors, the newspapers print columns of the names of survivors.

Almost every newspaper prints a photograph of a little picnicking with

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ANOTHER SHIP SUNK

**Eleven Missing In Irish
Sea Drama**
LONDON, Nov. 21 (Reuter).—Another British steamer the Arlington Court fell a victim to a U-boat to-day, being sunk off the Irish coast.

Twenty-two of the crew were picked up by a Dutch steamer and 11 are still missing.

The crew abandoned the ship in two lifeboats.

Chief Engineer Dies
When the boat that was picked up drew alongside, the Dutch rescue vessel, the chief engineer was dead, having succumbed to his wounds.

A survivor said that the two life-

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Japanese C. in C. Killed In Action

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Nov. 21 (Domei).—It is officially announced that Lieut. General N. Abe, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Field Command in North China, has been killed in action.

Lt. General Abe was killed on the Hopei-Charhar frontier on November 7, whilst personally directing operations.

He was appointed to the Field Command in June this year, and has since been directing operations against the guerrillas in the Inner Mongolian area.

Lt. General Abe was instantaneously killed when hit by a shell from a Chinese trench mortar.

HONGKONG'S TRADE IS SOARING

DESPITE the war in Europe Hongkong's trade continues to soar.

Official statistics issued by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports this afternoon disclose that the combined values of imports and exports of merchandise (excluding treasure) increased by 12½ per cent. in October as compared with the corresponding period last month.

Exports and imports totalled \$90,800,000 in October totalled \$90,800,000, an increase of \$10,000,000 over the corresponding period in 1938.

Imports totalled \$46,000,000, an increase of \$6,500,000. Exports totalled \$44,800,000, an increase of \$3,500,000. During the first ten months of the current year, imports have totalled \$490,500,000 (£230,100,000 sterling), compared with \$518,000,000 in the first ten months of 1938. Exports have totalled \$446,800,000 (£227,400,000), compared with \$437,000,000 last year.

Flight Of Bullion
In addition to the increased figures for merchandise, there was considerable movement of Treasure during October.

Exports of bullion during the month totalled \$18,402,172. Imports totalled only \$318,458, so that the adverse movement was over eighteen million dollars.

Whilst Hongkong's trade with other parts of the British Empire continues to decrease in perturbing fashion, trade with Japan, the Japanese-occupied parts of China and with the United States is increasing by leaps and bounds.

Imports from Japan totalled \$1,014,720, compared with \$1,327,000 in the corresponding period last year. Exports increased from \$351,007 to \$598,420.

Hongkong imports from the Japanese-occupied areas in North China more than doubled, the total for last month (\$15,153,007) being \$8,843,142 more than in October, 1938.

Exports to North China decreased from \$4,008,000 (in October, 1938) to \$2,005,357.

Blockade Kills Trade
The Japanese blockade of Swatow, Foochow, Wanchow and other Middle China ports has effectively killed Hongkong trade with those centres.

Exports last month totalled only \$100,000, compared with \$1,003,570 in the corresponding period last year. Exports to South China is also almost at a standstill as a result of the

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U.S. Ambassador In Flight



The U.S. Ambassador to Warsaw, Anthony Drexel Biddle, Jr., photographed during the flight of the Embassy staff from Poland. He is seen helping to load a truck with Embassy property.

ITALY AND JAPAN

**Recognition Of
Puppets Pending?**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Nov. 21 (Domei).—Informed quarters believe that Italy will accord recognition to the Wang Ching-wei regime in China immediately after it is inaugurated.

In this connection, significance is attached to an interview between the new Japanese Ambassador, Mr. E. Arai, and the Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano.

The Japanese Ambassador is believed to have explained the Japanese viewpoint regarding the situation in China. Count Ciano, it is stated, expressed deep concern regarding the position in the Far East, and endorsed Japan's attitude towards the "construction of a New Order in East Asia."

Sees British Envoy

SHANGHAI, Nov. 21 (Reuter).—Mr. Sotomatsu Kato, the Japanese Minister-at-Large, is calling on Sir Archibald Kerr Clark Kerr this morning and later is calling on Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, the American Ambassador to China.

It is authoritatively learned that both are courtesy calls, following Mr. Kato's recent return from Japan.

New Canton Puppets

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CANTON, Nov. 21 (Domei).—The new Municipal Government of Canton was formally inaugurated here on Monday. Mr. Peng Tung-shan, chairman of the Kwangtung Peace Maintenance Society, has been installed as the first Mayor of Canton.

The new Municipal Government consists of the secretariat, the finance, the police and the reconstruction departments.

LATEST

U.S. LEADERS CONFER

SITANGHAI, Nov. 21 (Domei).—An important conference of American leaders in China took place last night aboard the U.S.S. Augusta, flagship of the American Asiatic Fleet.

Present at the conference were Admiral Hart, the Commander-in-Chief of the American Asiatic Fleet, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, the American Ambassador to China, who has returned here from Chungking, and Mr. Clarence Gauss, the American Consul-General.

It was understood that the conference was continued until late in the night. It is understood in diplomatic circles that the American leaders discussed the recent developments in Chungking as well as the situation likely to arise from the establishment of a new Central Government in China.

Ambassador Johnson, accompanied by Admiral Hart, sailed from here early this morning aboard the Augusta for Manila where it is reported high American officials in the Far East are meeting in a conference.

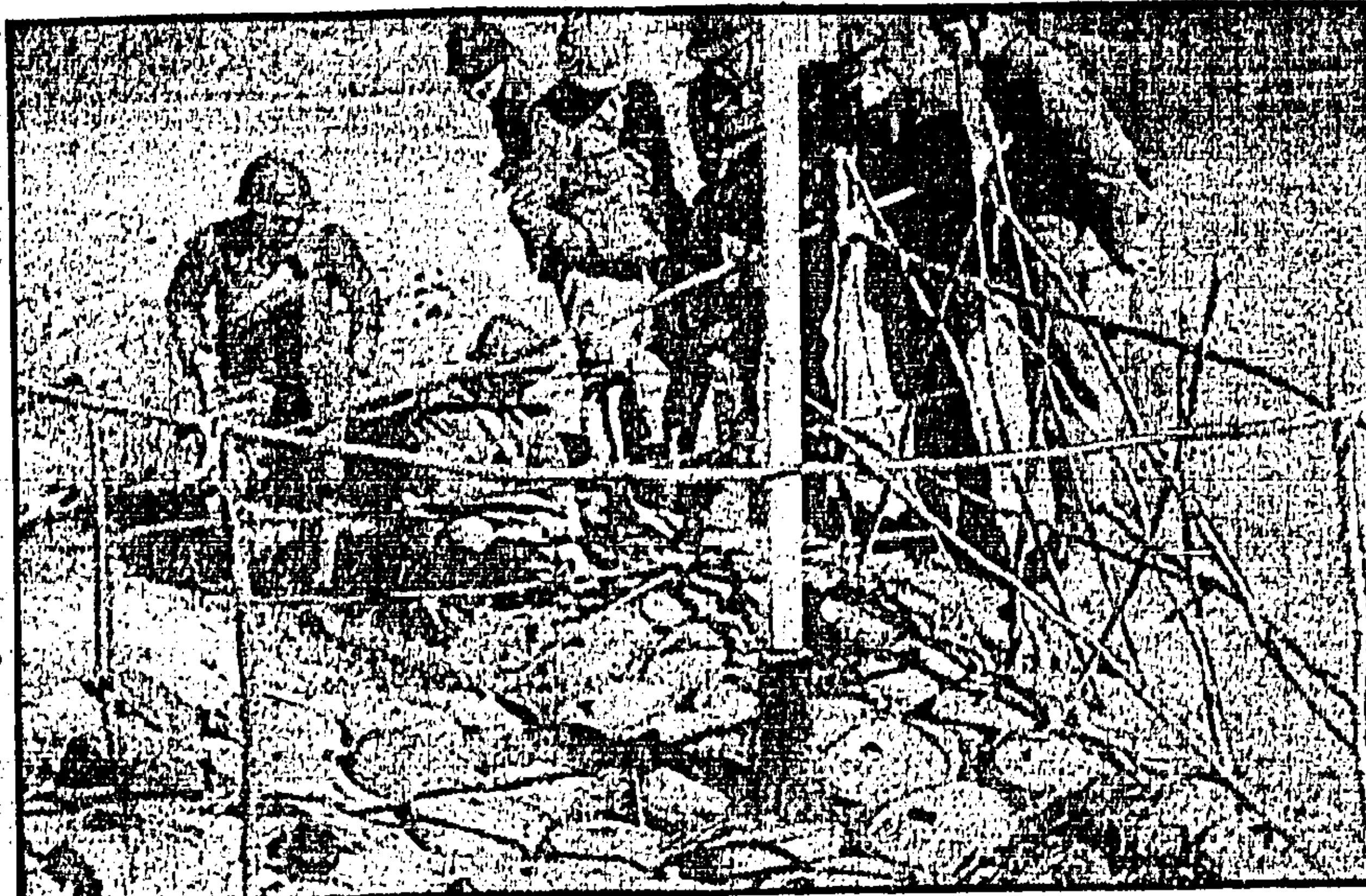
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Further Late News

REVOLT IN KOREA?

RECENT rumours of a revolt in Korea received substantiation to-day, when a "Domei" message reported that "about 200 bandits" had been repulsed near Takou, in Chientao Province.

Ten Japanese soldiers were killed and eleven were wounded, the report adds.

FIRST PICTURES OF CAPTURED GERMAN VILLAGES



French troops examining unexploded mines left by the Germans when they abandoned territory in face of the Allied advance.



A French soldier reading a notice in the captured town of Lauterbach. The notice reads: "German Colonial League Offices. Local Group. Lauterbach, Saar."



Polish 'make friends with a family in one of the German villages captured in the French advance.

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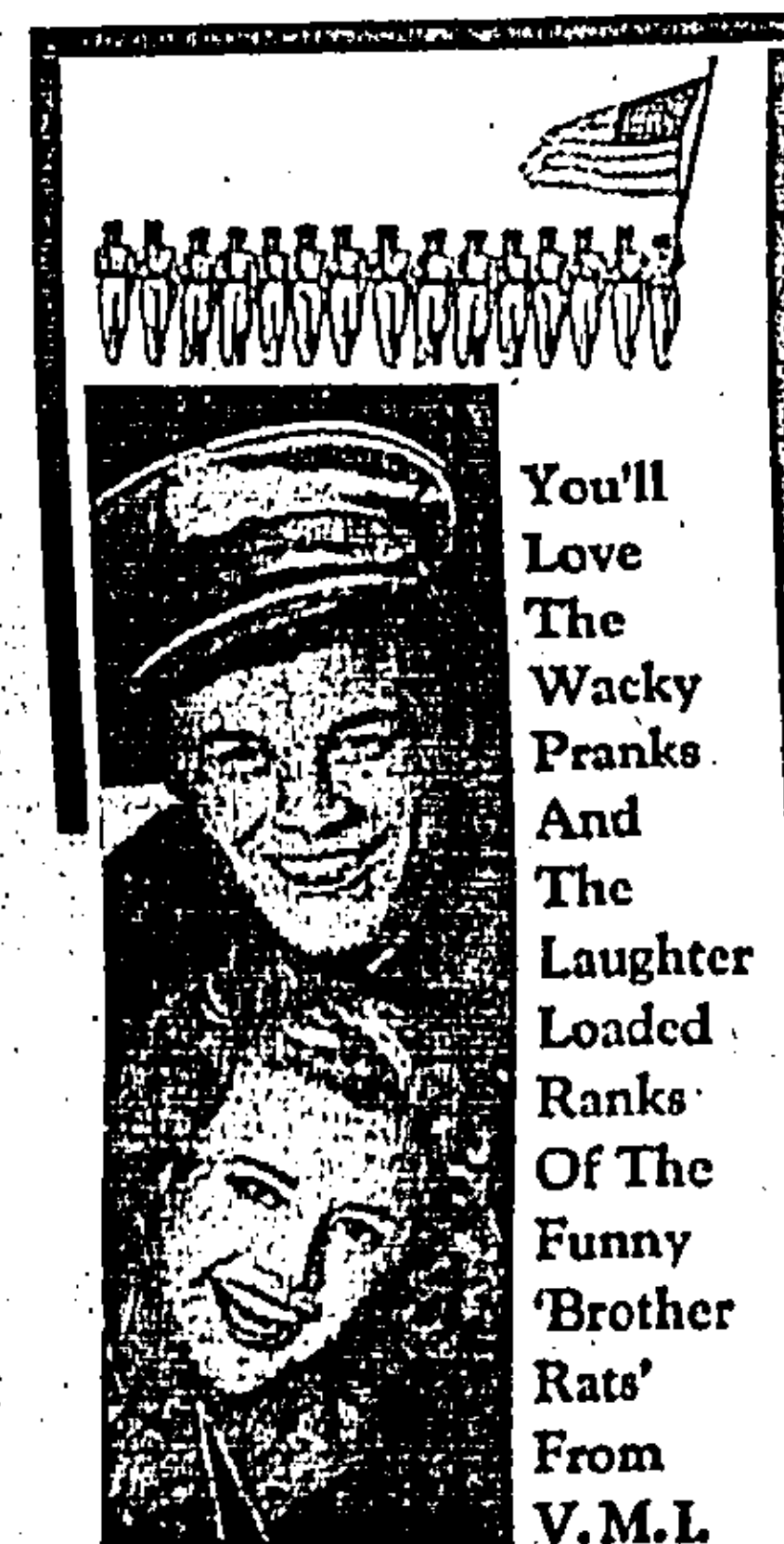
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New Russo-Nazi Agreement

MOSCOW, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—An agreement has been signed for the exchange of Germans in Russian-occupied Poland for Russians in German-occupied Poland.



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NEXT CHANGE AT THE KING'S

German Planes Over London, Scotland, Essex, Orkney Islands: R.A.F. In Action

NAZI AIR RAIDS ACROSS N. SEA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, NOV. 20 (UP).—ANTI-AIRCRAFT BATTERIES ALONG THE LOWER REACHES OF THAMES FIRED ON HOSTILE AIRCRAFT THIS MORNING, AND A PATROL OF THE ROYAL AIR FORCE CHASED A GERMAN RAIDER OUT TO SEA FROM THE ESSEX COAST, AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT DECLARED TO-DAY.

This afternoon the "Star" reported that a German plane flew over the London area in the early hours of the morning.

One eye-witness said it was a large black plane, and another declared it had the Swastika insignia painted on its rudder.

The reports stated that the raider came from a southerly direction, circled over London and flew off again to the South.

Mystery White Plane

Anti-aircraft artillery also fired at a white plane flying at a great height over a town on the southeast coast. No air raid warning was sounded and crowds watched the aircraft follow the coast in an easterly direction.

Heavy anti-aircraft fire was also heard at another coast town. Observers saw shell bursts encircle the plane which was a tiny speck in a clear blue sky.

Anti-aircraft fire was again active at noon when another plane was sighted flying high over the southeast coast.

North Scotland Warnings

Warnings were also sounded in a town in North Scotland. The all-clear was sounded after 20 minutes during which time an enemy reconnaissance plane was sighted and driven off by anti-aircraft fire.

An enemy plane also circled over some southern Orkney Islands. A group of R.A.F. planes took to the air immediately, and so far it is not known whether the enemy plane escaped.

Schoolchildren in the islands were dismissed and sent to their homes.

A.A. Batteries In Action

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The Air Ministry states that anti-aircraft batteries along the lower reaches of the Thames opened fire this morning at a hostile aircraft.

An air-raid warning was sounded and the "All Clear" went an hour later.

Another Nazi reconnaissance plane visited the Orkneys and was driven off by anti-aircraft fire. Meanwhile, the unsuccessful attack on one of our destroyers in the North Sea may have been carried out by one of the planes which had flown over Britain earlier.

Paris Alarm

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 20 (UP).—There were air raid warnings in Southern England this evening. In Paris, this morning, air raid alarms were sounded in the Rhone Valley, and in south-east and western France from between 20 minutes and an hour. The skies were overcast and no planes were seen.

Raids Over Wide Area

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—Nazi aerial activity over Britain today, though only three planes were definitely sighted, extended from the south of England and the London area to the Orkneys in the far north. The enemy raiders were obviously following up the almost daily flights of the last fortnight or so with further reconnaissance patrols. The area chiefly affected was the Thames estuary, Essex and South Kent.

A German plane was sighted flying at a tremendous height, and British fighters took off.

Escapes Defences

The plane made off at a high speed towards the coast and when our fighters drew off, the enemy machine was engaged without effect by anti-aircraft batteries.

Another machine flew over and chased the raider out to sea from the Essex coast.

Cinemas Carry On

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—Air-raid warnings were sounded several times in the South-east coast to-night.

Cinemas were in full swing, but the majority of the audiences stayed. No gun-fire or bombs were heard. The "All-Clear" was signalled after an hour.

Bomber Attacks Destroyer

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—It is officially announced that a German bomber unsuccessfully attacked a British destroyer in the southern area of the North Sea.

East Kent Alarm

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 20 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced: "An air-raid warning which was sounded in East Kent this evening was caused by the appearance of an unidentified plane."

The 'raiders' passed and the all-clear signal was given within two hours.

A further charge of breach of deportation was preferred, the accused having been banished for a period of ten years in March this year.

With two previous convictions of insanity against him, he was sentenced six months hard labour on the deportation charge, and three months on the larceny charge, the terms to be served concurrently.

Byrd Leaves For South Pole

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NEW YORK, Nov. 20 (UP).—Rear Admiral Byrd has completed his plans for a new expedition to the Antarctic, where he expects to take over large and hitherto unexplored tracts for the United States.

He left New York for Washington today with the intention of emplaning for Panama.

The steamer North Star is already awaiting his arrival at Panama, and will probably depart on Wednesday. The second expedition ship, the Bear, will meet the North Star "somewhere in the ice pack."

Pistol and Gold Cuffs Stolen

Mr. C. B. Robertson, of "The Blarney Stone", Victoria Road, reports the loss of a .12 Browning pistol loaded with four rounds of ammunition, and a pair of gold cufflinks from his residence on Sunday.

NOTED GERMAN LEADER OPPOSES NAZI POLICY

BERNE, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—Hugo Stinnes, the great German industrial magnate and one of the first backers of the Nazi Party in Germany said to-day that he was opposed to the Nazi war policy.

Stinnes recently sought refuge in Switzerland. This policy, he added, threatened the most dire consequences.

China's War Leader Is Now Premier CHIANG TO HOLD FOUR GOVERNMENT POSTS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, Nov. 20 (UP).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek will hereafter be holding the following Government posts: President of the Supreme Council for National Defence which is the highest organization governing everything in free China, the Council being higher than the National Government, the Central Party, the Military Council or the Executive Yuan, and is in position to control all Parties.

Leads Our Army



IRONSIDE

General Ironside, Commander-in-Chief of the British forces in France.

GOOD WORK BY FRENCH NAVY

PARIS, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The French Navy has captured several thousand tons more of German shipping than it has lost.

The commander of a 710-ton survey ship is receiving special commendation for having made a dangerous but successful counter-attack against a U-boat.

Secondly, President, or Tsung Tsai (General Director) of the Kuomintang; thirdly, President of the Military Council; fourthly, President of the Executive Yuan, which is equivalent to Premier.

Other Offices

Besides these, he is President of the "People's Political Council" which is the people's advisory organization, members of which are appointed by the Government, including members of all Parties; President of four Government Banks, the joint administration of which is a powerful organization under the National Defence Council and parallel with the Ministry of Finance governing wartime monetary affairs.

He is President of China's Commission for Aeronautical Affairs or Air Commission, namely, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese Air Force. He is President of many Military Schools including the Central Military Academy and Aviation School.

He is also President of the Sun Min Chu Yi Youth Corps; President of the "Warlike Work Special Training Corps" in which thousands of young men and women are trained to handle most thoroughly all wartime work; President of the New Life Movement, which he personally initiated in 1934; Chairman of the Szechwan Provincial Government.

Appointment Welcomed

Political circles expressed general welcome and satisfaction over his election as Premier which will certainly unify free China's administrative matters. They said that Chiang has been the symbol of China's unification; he is the supreme leader; his taking up of administrative duties was demanded by actual and logical objectives and circumstances.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, Macdonnell Road, Hongkong.

Members and friends will kindly note the Thanksgiving Service will be held at the above church on Thursday, November 23, at 8 p.m.

A STANDARD CURRENCY

New Pan-American Proposal

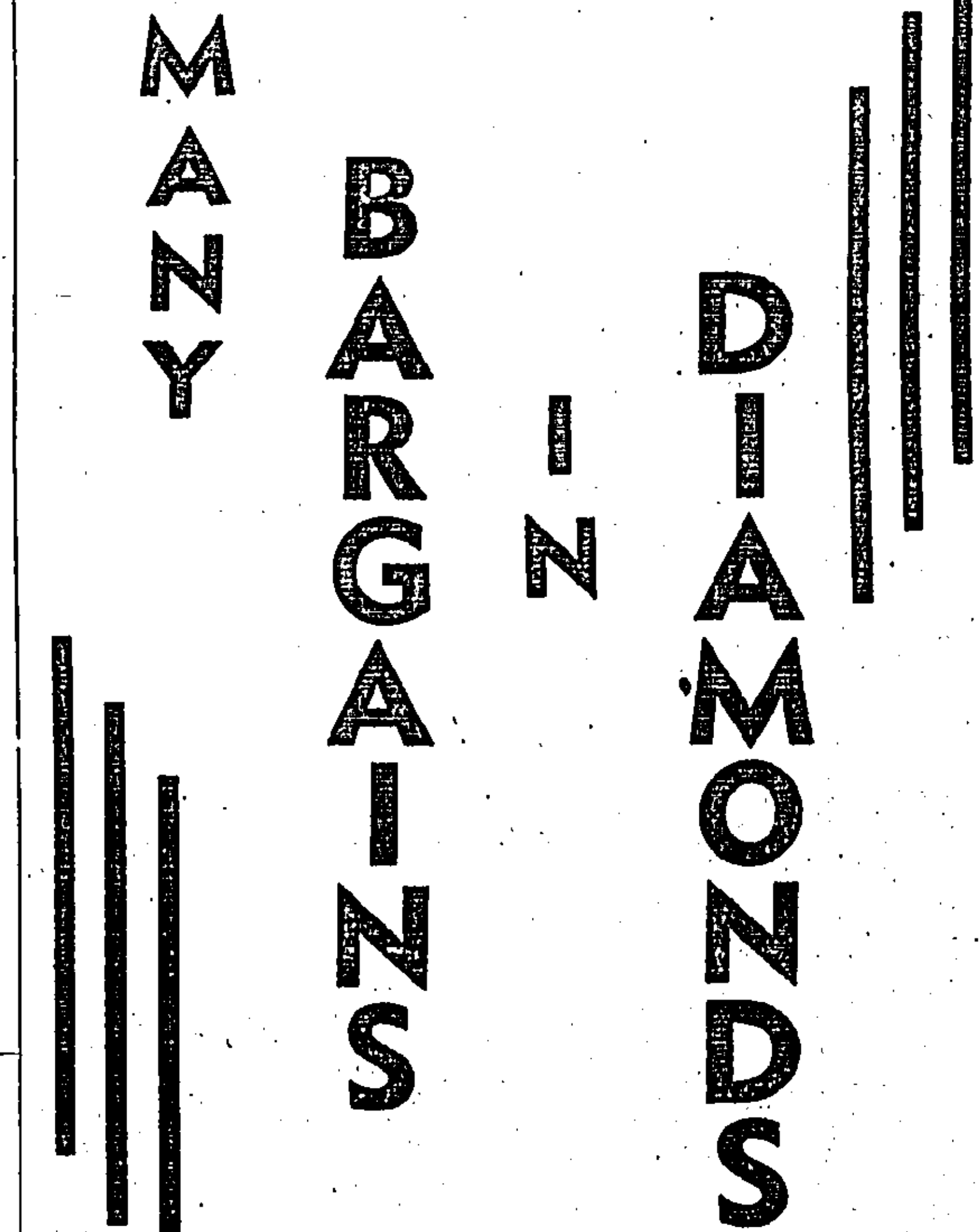
WASHINGTON, Nov. 20 (UP).—It is learned that members of the Inter-American Financial Economic Advisory Committee are considering proposals to establish a single Pan-American monetary standard.

It is reported that the Peruvian delegate, Senor Montero, suggested adopting a new "Pan-American dollar," based on the "common denominator" of the purchasing power of the individual currencies of 21 Latin American Republics.

IMPORTATION OF PEPPER BAN

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—Imports of ground and unground pepper are prohibited under a new order issued by the Board of Trade. No applications for import licences will be entertained until further notice.

SENNET FRERES

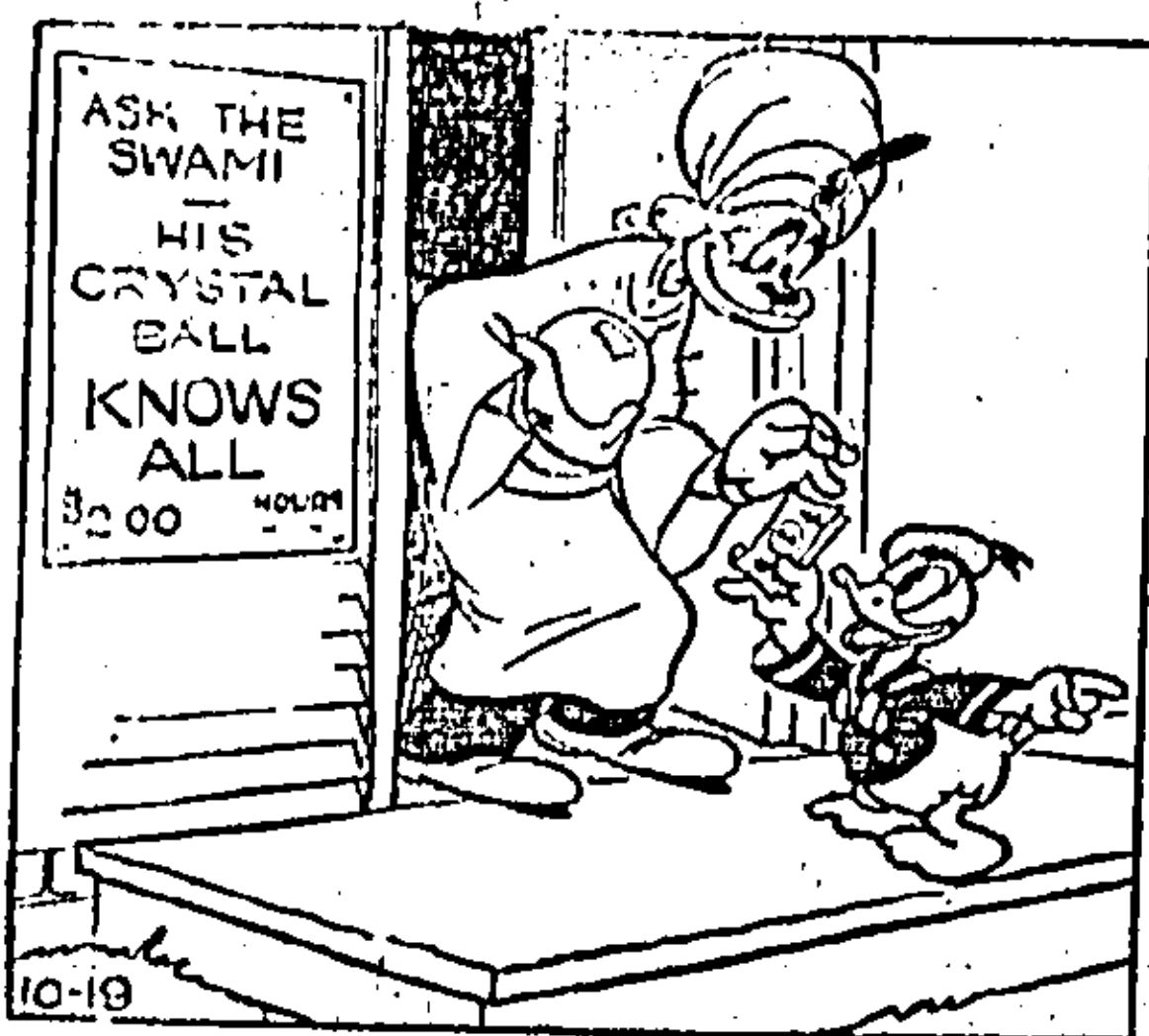


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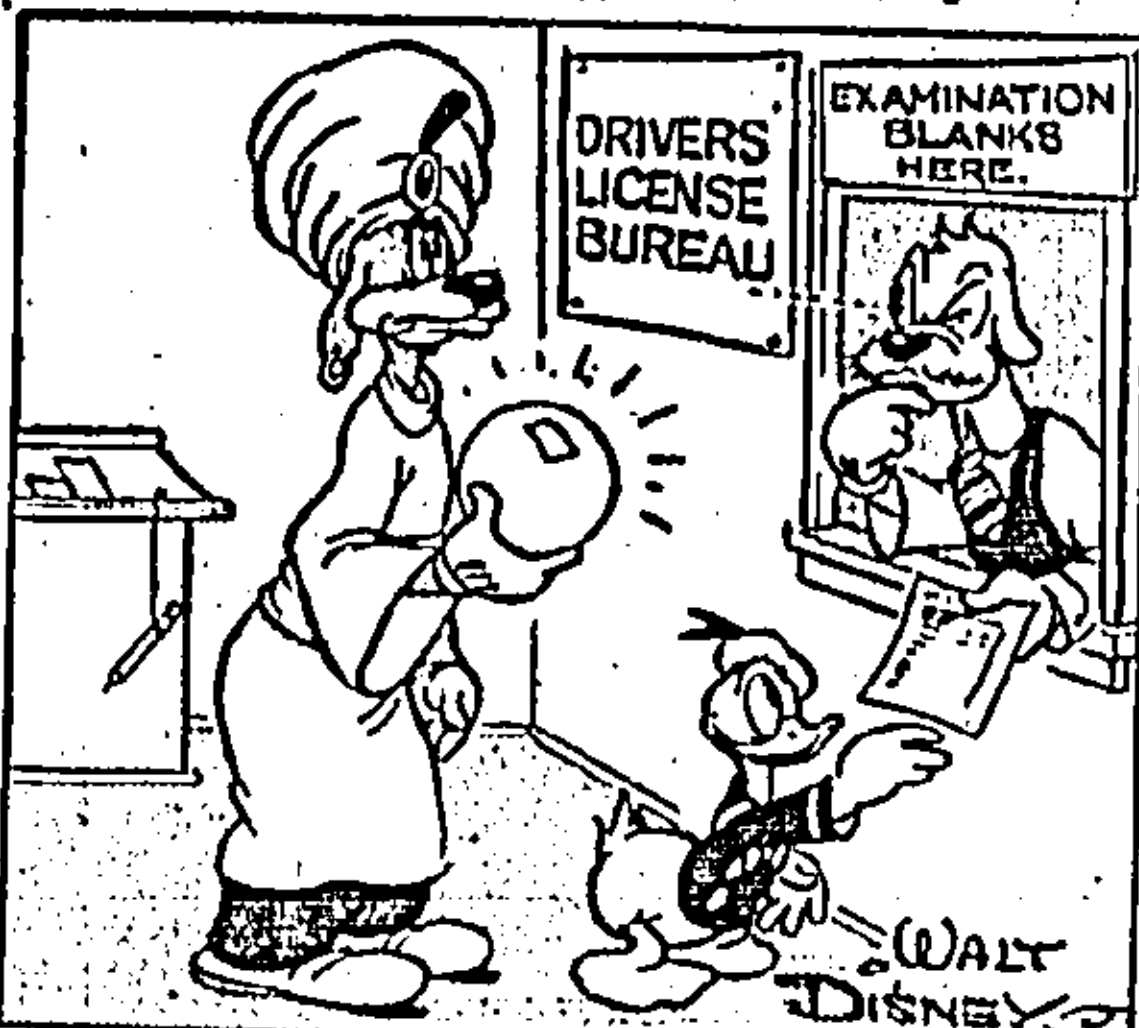
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Infant Victims of U-Boat Minelayers GERMAN "PIRATES" CLAIM BIG TOLL

LONDON, Nov. 20 (UP).—The British naval authorities to-day charged that "Germany's unrestrained sea warfare" has resulted in the sinking of 14 ships in the past nine days, including nine, with the apparent loss of almost 200 lives, over the week-end.

The losses include four British merchant ships and five neutral ships. Several other ships have been damaged but have managed to reach port safely during the week-end.

Most of the sinkings have occurred in the North Sea off the English coast, and have been attributed to German mines.

Greatest Losses To Date

Naval authorities said the losses for the last nine days have been perhaps the greatest for any comparable period since the outbreak of the war.

The British Admiralty has charged that the Nazis are placing free mines in the North Sea in violation of International Law.

Additional sinkings reported are the British collier Fort Bearer, on which nine lives are believed to have been lost; the British freighter Pensiva, the crew of which have all been safely landed; and the British trawler Wigmore whose crew of sixteen were lost.

Naval reports state that several of the ships were torpedoed.

Tenth Victim

Late reports state that there has been a tenth victim of German mines during the week-end. A terrific explosion sank an unidentified steamer off the northeast coast of England with a possible loss of 10 lives.

The ship sank so rapidly that the crew were unable to launch a boat.

Seventeen survivors have been landed four of whom have been sent to hospital.

Eleven of the Torch Bearer's crew have been landed, six sent to hospital and two are reported missing.

Eleven of the Grazi's crew have been landed. The known number of survivors is 26, five are missing and one is known to be dead.

8 Merchant Ships Sunk

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—Eight merchant ships have now been sunk over the week-end by German mines or enemy action in the North Sea.

The latest addition is the British steamer, Pensiva, of 4,000 tons, whose crew are safe and have been landed.

The Pensiva was sunk by enemy action.

Dramatic Pictures

The British Press is full of the pathetic figures of the survivors of the Dutch liner, Simon Bolivar.

One photo shows two six-month old babies, whose parents are missing.

Another shows a Dutch woman with two of her children. The other three are missing.

There is no doubt semi-official circles state that Germany are laying their mines indiscriminately across regular shipping lanes.

They have resorted to this because of the failure of their equally illegal U-boat campaign.

Brutal Methods

This, however, is more brutal. The submarine at least has a chance of distinguishing between belligerent and neutral ships, but the present campaign has resulted in the loss of five neutral ships and only three British vessels.

All of them are merchantmen.

The German Press is telling the German public that British mines caused the disaster, but British mines have not been laid anywhere near where the Simon Bolivar was sunk, and in any event Britain has nothing to gain from the mining of shipping routes used by her own and by neutral ships.

Mines Washed Up

Dozens of mines were washed up the Belgian coast.

One exploded near Ostend and broke the windows of a military hospital three miles away.

It is considered unlikely that the Germans are using loose mines.

British mines are equipped with a device which makes them harmless should they break away. This is required by International Law.

Many German mines are not fitted with this device.

In this connection, the statement

IS THIS HITLER'S "SECRET"?

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The week-end sinkings have given rise to the theory that Hitler's "secret weapon" may be the magnetic mine, but if so, it is pointed out, it is but a poor squib.

The magnetic mine is by no means a new invention. Great Britain used it in the last war.

Magnetic mines are usually placed either at the bottom of the ocean, or moored at considerable depths below the surface.

When a ship enters the magnetic field of the mine, the latter explodes owing to its delicate mechanism.

There is no direct evidence, however, that any of the week-end sinkings was the result of the explosion of magnetic mines.

made to a Dutch newspaper by the Nazi Admiral Erich Raeder two weeks after the war began is recalled. Germans, he said, intended to conform to the rules laid down by the Hague Convention concerning the laying of mines.

The Lies Grow

One also recalls Hitler's speech at the Reichstag on September 1 when

he said: "I will not war against women and children." The London "Daily Express" prints this and under it the German allegation that the disasters were caused by British mines.

The article was headed "The Lies Grow."

Simon Bolivar Casualties

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The official list of the Simon Bolivar casualties gives the names of 84 missing and killed.

Casualty List Now 126

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The casualty list in the Simon Bolivar sinking now totals 126.

Three hundred survivors are being cared for in England.

May Have To Blow Up Ship

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—It may be necessary to blow up the Simon Bolivar as she is in the line of traffic.

Company's Biggest Loss

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The Managing Director of the Royal Dutch Steamship Company, owners of the Simon Bolivar, described the loss as the biggest the Company has ever sustained.

Dutch Protest

ROTTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—At the request of the Holland-American Company, the Dutch Legation in Berlin is instructed to protest against the inclusion of the Dutch liner, Veendam, in the latest German list of liners alleged to be armed against U-boats by Britain.

The Germans recently issued a "Sinking on Sight" list of allegedly armed merchantmen.

Nazi Governor of Poland



Nazi leader Forster reviewing German guards in Poland, where he has been appointed Governor of a conquered country.

Krakow, Vienna And Prague Suffer In New Reign Of Repression In Occupied Districts

GESTAPO SPREADS REPRISALS TERROR

KRAKOW, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The "Death's Head" battalion of the Nazi Black Guards has arrived in Krakow to start its duties.

This is a special unit of the Gestapo and is used to suppress anti-Nazi activities or to organise Jew-baiting.

Many Austrians Arrested

VIENNA, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—Arrests of Austrians are made daily.

Unrest in Austria has arisen over the arrest of a high official of the Viennese Police.

Prague Unrest

PRAGUE, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—Indication of the unrest prevailing in Prague and other Czech cities is seen in the fact that Nazi Black Guards are patrolling the streets with hand machine-guns.

The Gestapo is still trying to lay hands on the leaders of the Czech demonstrations.

Correspondent Leaves Germany

BERLIN, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—Mr. Beech Conger, Berlin correspondent of the "New York Herald Tribune" has had to leave Germany.

Mr. Conger reported unrest in the Reich, getting information, he said, from several reliable sources.

The Nazi Propaganda Ministry promptly told him to file a clear denial of his reports or else find his privileges cancelled and his despatches revoked.

He was not allowed to use the telephone or telegraph, and forbidden to attend Press conferences.

Since it was impossible for him to do his work in the face of this, Mr. Conger found himself obliged to leave.

Religious Persecution

ROME, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—Widespread desecration and religious persecution in Soviet-occupied Poland are reported by the Vatican Radio.

It declares that the Lower church, one of the largest in Poland, is turned into stables and others are converted into cinemas.

Monasteries and convents are requisitioned by the authorities.

Order Not Restored

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—It is reported from Prague that Baron von Neurath, former German Foreign Minister and now Nazi Protector of Bohemia and Moravia, has been summoned to Berlin to report to Hitler.

Baron von Neurath will have a lot of explaining to do, as in spite of the most repressive measures in Czechoslovakia, he has not stamped out the Czech revolt, embers of which are still glowing fiercely.

Although many executions have

been carried out and thousands of arrests made, order has not yet been fully restored in former Czech provinces.

The gravity with which the Nazis view the situation is indicated by the sudden despatch to Prague and other large Czech towns of more high officials of the dreaded Black Guards and the Gestapo (Secret Police).

Meanwhile Nazi repressive measures against Jews are spreading to Poland in a more intense form.

In Warsaw all Jews are to be isolated in one district which will be barricaded off and put under strict control.

Von Neurath Recalled

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 20 (UP).—It is reported that Count von Neurath, Minister without Portfolio, and State Secretary Karl Hermann Frank have been summoned to Berlin to report to Hitler regarding the protective disturbances.

Simultaneously a number of the highest Chiefs of the Storm Troops have been sent to Prague to take charge in the restoration of order.

Herr Karl Frank should not be confused with Reich Minister Hans Frank, the Governor-General of the occupied area in Poland.

New Underground Railway

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuters).—The new extension to the underground traffic came into operation to-day, whereby the Bakerloo tube can be taken as far as Pangbourne.

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8.30 Scarlatti—The Good Humoured Ladies—Ballet: London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.

8.47 Raymond Newell (Baritone) and Eva Turner (Soprano): For England (Brundage and Murray), Life's Great Sunset (Adams), Raymond Newell (Baritone) with Instrumental Accompaniment; Homing (Salmon and Del Riego), Love Thine (Grieg), Eva Turner (Soprano) with Piano; The Rivalry (Sleever and Arlen), Where's the Sergeant? (Longstaffe), Raymond Newell (Baritone) with Orchestra.

9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."

9.45 Variety with Renee Honston, John Henry and "Blossom", Clapham and Dwyer, and Others.

10.30 London Relay—"Entertainment, Please": An item of humour, gags, American slang, etc.

11.0 London Relay—"In England Now."

11.15 Close down.

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Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date 16th November.

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BURGLAR MAKES \$800 HAUL

Ching Fook, master of the Mok Kee firm, Kwong Yick Street, reports that on Sunday his safe was opened by a burglar.

A large quantity of jewellery and \$800 Chinese currency was stolen.

Car Owners Fined

C. A. Yole, of Kennedy Road, was fined \$10 by Mr. Forrest at Central Magistracy this morning for driving his car along Queen's Road East at about 30 miles per hour on November 1.

A fine of \$8 was imposed on G. H. Gompertz, of Jardine Matheson, for leaving his car in the Pedder Street car park beyond the time limit.

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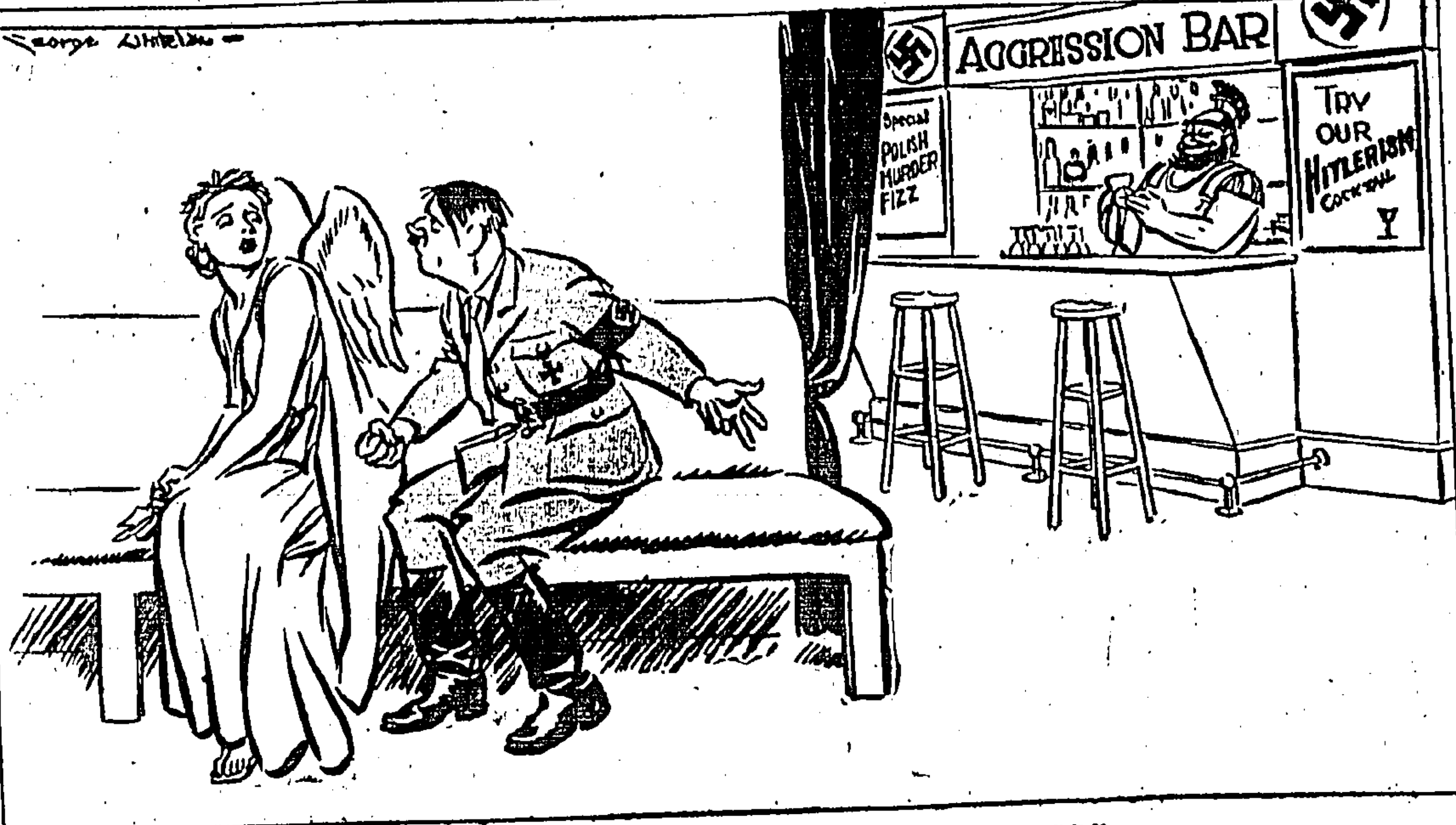
Simplified English

In almost every country in the world there is a continually increasing number of students of the English language. It is already the predominating tongue, and from present indications we may assume that it is likely to become the universal language of international intercourse. It is the language of the Government of more than 600,000,000 persons.

English is not an easy language to learn, and its difficulties subject it to much misuse and to misconceptions as to the meaning of many of its words and phrases. To simplify and to make it easier to learn, many systems have been devised by enthusiasts and experts. One of these systems, Basic English, has been widely adopted; but Basic English has not been free from criticism. Some authorities have praised it highly; others have hotly condemned it.

In order to arrive at some definite conclusion on the matter, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, recently appointed a committee of experts to examine methods of teaching simplified English to persons who do not speak the language. The relative merits of various methods now available will be assessed by the committee and recommendations will be made.

Such recommendations will be extremely useful to the British Council, the semi-official organization concerned with establishing cultural contacts with other countries. Among its other activities the British Council has helped to establish British institutes abroad. Such an institute recently founded in Athens was originally planned to accommodate 400 students. On the opening day it was besieged by 8,000 students clamouring for admission; and enlargement was arranged. In Bucharest the British Institute has 2,000 students. And as all these students are keen to master the English language, a simplified system of teaching will be invaluable, both to the Council and to the students themselves.



PEACE: "GO AWAY, YOU'VE BEEN DRINKING."

HITLER has spoken, but his word means NOTHING!

by Arthur Greenwood

(Deputy-Leader of the Opposition.)

NOW that Hitler has declared himself, it is as well to remind ourselves of the march of events.

China, Abyssinia, Spain, Austria, Czecho-Slovakia and Memelland were all the victims of aggression before the outbreak of the present war.

Long before Hitler invaded Poland, European, and indeed, world opinion, was sick at heart of "smash and grab" raids. Europe was littered not only with broken nations, but with Hitler's broken promises.

It became increasingly clear that a point would be reached at which Britain and France, however reluctantly, would have to call a halt to further inroads on liberty.

Munich, the last desperate gamble of the apostles of appeasement, marked the end of a dishonourable chapter of European history. The entry of German troops into Prague on March 15 of this year turned a leaf, and

marked the opening of a new chapter, entitled "The End of Aggression." Europe knew in its heart—and the main defenders of its liberties, Britain and France—knew also that attempts to buy off future acts of aggression by condoning the latest act would mean the final surrender of freedom.

After the martyrdom of Czecho-Slovakia, and while the conscience of the world was still reeling under the blow, Hitler marched into Memelland under our very noses, supremely contemptuous of world opinion.

When Poland was attacked, in spite of our firm assertions, Hitler still thought that he could pursue his old technique and "get away with it" without challenge.

Not only was patience exhausted, but pride and honour were at stake. What was even more important and vital, the threat to liberty everywhere was so obvious it had to be contested.

In defiance of British and French declarations, and despising

democratic opinion throughout the world, Hitler made the war.

The united forces of two of the greatest Powers in the world—Germany and Russia—crushed Poland. Further "diplomatic" advances have taken place since. What the joint plans of Hitler and Stalin may be is their secret, and I do not propose to speculate.

What I am concerned about is the state of Europe to-day. The body of Poland has been rent asunder, though her spirit lives.

The Baltic States, so-called in the North of Europe, are being brought under domination. The Scandinavian States are apprehensive. The Balkan States in the south are uncertain. Switzerland, Holland and Belgium fear the thrust of the Dictator.

They have hearkened unto Hitler's call to "peace," but without hope in their hearts.

Austrian and Czech Social Democrats, trade unionists, and Co-operators heard the call, but it was drowned by the cries of their murdered and mutilated comrades.

The United States of America listened and found no note of sorrow for the past or sincerity for the future.

Our ally, France, wedded to "Liberty, Fraternity and Equality," heard Hitler's words and found no comfort in them.

Britain and the Dominions beyond the seas, and India, with a yearning for a freedom she cannot expect from the Hitler regime, heard the declaration. All alike were dismayed by Hitler's complete

lack of understanding of our unshakable determination to right, so far as possible, the wrongs of the past, as the essential basis of the world of the future.

It is not that mankind does not seek peace. In every fibre of its being it aches for peace. But there has been no peace in Europe since Hitler began his war against democracy. Every struggling and imperfect democracy working its painful way to the realisation of its ideals knows that Nazidom is its enemy.

Peace can come, and come quickly, when Hitler realises that the contributions great and noble Germans—and others—have brought to the advance of freedom in the world are not to be destroyed, but must be allowed to flourish.

There is no recognition in Hitler's speech of this eternal determination that freedom must live and grow.

But there is another reason why his address struck no responsive chord in the world. He has broken his word too often. One could catalogue his promises and the actions which have followed.

In the early days of his dictatorship—a little more than six years ago—he declared that "the German people had no thought of invading any country."

Since then he has been more specific. He said three years ago that he had "no territorial demands to make in Europe."

A little more than a year ago he assured Mr. Chamberlain, after having broken his previous pledges, that he had "no more territorial problems in Europe."

What he said last Friday must be assessed in the light of past words and deeds. He spoke as a victor to the vanquished in words which the world does not and cannot trust.

He assumes that the misery he has caused is right and that it will be forgotten. The crucifixion of the human spirit is the price of its liberty.

But it will not be forgotten. It is the outward expression of mankind's determination—at whatever cost—to keep what is holy and makes life worth while.

THE ONE IMPORTANT THING

MOST Scots people know that Calgary is a city of about 80,000 lying on the edge of the Rocky Mountains in Alberta, which took its name from the West Highland of Scotland, and has always had a strong Scottish element in its population.

This Scottish element is at the present time very definitely represented in the Calgary police force. In fact, the end of a long list of names on record that the Mayor of the City, a witty Ulsterman, was once studying the names on the roll of the police, and finding among the "Mac's," the "Richies," and other obviously Scots names one representative of the well-known English family of "Smith," demanded of the Chief-Constable an explanation of "how this foreigner got into the force."

It happened, then, that on a certain Saturday in early spring the Police Court in Calgary was in session. The case before the Court was not an ordinary motor car collision, but it was being keenly fought.

The door leading from the police quarters into the Court opened, and from the Chief of Police, a fine upstanding native of Dumfriesshire, with a highly honourable record both in the War and the police service, entered the Court. He walked up to the Bench, handed the Magistrate a folded slip of paper, and went out again.

The Magistrate, a native of the Highlands and a graduate of Edinburgh University, looked at the slip of paper, folded it again, and beckoned to the Court—Orderly, Sergeant—a white-haired veteran of the South African War, and incidentally the author of several very successful

novels based on his experience with the famous North-West Mounted Police of Canada.

"Show that to the Inspector," said the Magistrate, handing the slip to the sergeant.

The Inspector of police, who began life in the service of the Caledonian Railway near Glasgow, took the paper, read it, and the faintest glimmer of smile lighted his face. He in turn handed it to a constable sitting near to him, likewise a good Scotsman, and then it travelled round a little circle of police waiting to give their evidence in cases due to be heard later on. Almost without exception they were Scotsmen born.

Each man looked briefly at the slip of paper, and then passed it on. Not even a whisper was exchanged. The space a word was said openly. The space was for the public in the Court, was crowded as usual with spectators. They saw the paper passing from the Magistrate to the police, and concluded that it had reference to some routine matter of procedure. The motor car accident trial proceeded on its way and engrossed attention.

Yet to those who had read the slip of paper and had understanding hearts, it was no trilling routine notice that had been given. Into the somewhat dismal Courtroom of the Canadian city had stolen across five thousand miles of land and sea the faint, far-off, thrilling echo of a great roar of triumph going up from 150,000 Scottish throats in a huge assembly gathered round a stretch of smooth green sward in distant Glasgow, for on the slip of paper there had been written just four words taken from the morning radio news broadcast: "Scotland, 2; England, 0." O. H. Scott

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



U.S. OUTCRY AGAINST TIENTSIN BLOCKADE

Japanese Cause Hard Feelings

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, NOV. 20 (UP).—The Under Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, indicated that the United States takes a serious view of the continued interference with American nationals and American trade by Japanese military officials at Tientsin.

He said that official reports showed that the interference is increasing despite the fact that America has informed Japan that the United States considers its citizens have every right to carry on trade in China without interference.

He said this view had been repeatedly made clear to the Japanese authorities by American Consular officials and diplomats in both Japan and China.

IRRITATING DEMANDS

Mr. Welles said that Consul General John Caldwell at Tientsin had telegraphed the State Department on November 13 regarding the increasing difficulties in transit via the Japanese barriers. Although there were only a few cases of delay to American nationals, there were many complaints regarding delay to American goods, ranging from a few hours to over a day. He cited the fact that the Japanese military required loads of coal and peanuts to be dumped into the street for inspection.

On November 16, Mr. Caldwell telegraphed that the difficulties were increasing; that rug manufacturers complained that truck loads of rugs, proceeding under American passes bearing Japanese Consular visas were refused permission to pass the barriers until the rugs were spread out on the street.

CRITICAL COAL SHORTAGE

Another American complained of difficulties in bringing food into the Concessions.

Mr. Caldwell said the coal situation in the Concession is becoming critical although there are ample supplies across the River.

STATE DEPARTMENT APPREHENSIVE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20 (UP).—Although Mr. Welles appeared particularly pre-occupied with Tientsin, the fact that he discussed the Japanese situation at all strengthened the reports that the State Department is apprehensively studying the Far East, especially the political implications of a possible trade rapprochement between Japan and Russia.

Another, although indirect cause of concern until confirmed, is the report that Russia may sell some submarines at Vladivostok to Germany in order that the Nazis may extend their naval warfare to the Allied shipping in the Far East.

The accomplishment of either of the two divergent points, it is felt, might serve to stiffen the United States' insistence on the open door in China.

Congressional proponent for economic reprisals against Japan will probably redouble their efforts to get the necessary legislation.

ELECTRICITY AND WATER SHORTAGE

TIENTSIN, Nov. 21 (UP).—The American Consul General Mr. Caldwell said that there is a very serious coal shortage confronting the Concessions, and there is an imminent absence of electricity and water.

He said that he was negotiating daily; however, thus far, there have been no results.

The Consul General was unwilling to aggravate the situation by naming specific instances of delayed American cargoes, but said the greatest hindrance to American trade was the Federal Bank link to the system of barter and exchange.

H.K. GOES "DRY"

Rainfall Now Below The Average

The year of 1939 which at one time promised to provide a near-record rainfall is now likely to finish with a total below the average.

At the end of May the rainfall for the year was 19 inches in excess of the average. During the last three months, it has been so dry that the rainfall up to yesterday was nearly two inches below the average.

So far this year there have been 61.04 inches of rain against an average of 63.40.

There is no direct indication of any change in the weather, the local forecast being east winds, moderate; cloudy.

High Temperatures

Temperatures are also maintaining a high level for this time of the year, yesterday's maximum being 79 and the minimum only eight degrees less.

At 10 o'clock this morning the thermometer had risen to 75, with accompanying humidity of 89 per cent.

There are some depressions about, but not in the immediate vicinity of Hongkong. A depression to the southwest of Shanghai will probably move eastward, says the Royal Observatory. A small depression in the China Seas is situated about 350 miles to the west of Manila, moving WNW, and another depression is situated to the east of Yap. A moderate anticyclone covers Manchuria and the Sea of Japan.

S'HAH OFFICIAL RELEASED

CHUNGKING, Nov. 20 (Central).—J. O. Egeberg, Danish Probationary Sergeant of the Shanghai Municipal Council police force, who was arrested by Japanese Gendarmes in the western district shortly after noon on November 10, was released in the evening, according to a Shanghai dispatch.

The two Chinese policemen and a female searcher who were arrested at the same time, are understood to be still under detention.

EX-NEWSPAPER EDITOR IS ABDUCTED

CHUNGKING, Nov. 21. (Central).—Mr. Chien Na-shui, former editor-in-chief of the "I Pao," a daily newspaper in Shanghai, and Mr. Kang Huan-tung, a lawyer, were both abducted, allegedly by Wang Ching-wei's agents, at the Kun Lun Book Store at Burkill Road yesterday, according to a Shanghai report.

Mr. Chang Ho-ting, principal of the Nanyang Radio College, was also abducted but was released two hours later.

Bund Leader On Trial

Prosecution Fails Says Judge

NEW YORK, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Judge Wallace, presiding at the trial of Fritz Kuhn, leader of the German-American Bund, who is charged with theft of the Bund's funds, stated today that the prosecution had hitherto failed to prove beyond reasonable doubt that although the prosecution had rested, it would bring irrefutable proof before finally ending the case, failed to offer proof "beyond reasonable doubt" that defendant was guilty.

NEW CANTON-S'HAH AIR ROUTE TO OPEN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PEIPING, Nov. 21, (Domel).—A new air transport service will be opened between Shanghai and Canton via Taihoku in the middle of December by the China Aviation Corporation, it was announced here today. It is expected that the distance between Shanghai and Canton extending over 800 miles will be covered in about six hours.

"PUPPET" TROOPS MUTINY

Japanese Wiped Out At Wuning

SOME 300 Japanese officers and soldiers were killed in action at Wuning, 70 miles northwest of Nanchang, when a Japanese-sponsored self-defence corps mutinied, reports "Central News."

The corps was under the command of Chen Tso-chow, a prominent resident of Wuning, who had been compelled by the Japanese to be the so-called Chairman of the Peace Preservation Committee and the Commander of the Self-Defence Corps of that city.

Chen's chance to turn against the Japanese came recently when a part of the Japanese garrison was moved elsewhere. He led his Self-Defence Corps against the remainder of the Japanese garrison and wiped them out.

Equipment Losses

The Japanese troops in this engagement are reported to have lost 20 heavy and light machine-guns, 670 rifles and a considerable quantity of ammunition.

In another engagement between Chinese and Japanese troops, this time near Foweheng, in South Hopen, over 120 Japanese are said to have been killed and wounded, while 14 were taken prisoner.

On Sunday night, Chinese troops launched surprise attacks on Chupao-tchia and Taitung, points south of Fengshin in Kiangsi. The Japanese fled eastward after suffering considerable casualties.

Yesterday morning, the Japanese counter-attacked, says "Central News," but were repulsed.

Driving Towards Kucheng

Following their recapture of Yitai-tow and Newwangmin, southeast of Puhshin in west Shansi, Chinese troops are now reported to be pressing towards Kucheng.

The Chinese are advancing on Helling-kwan have occupied several strategic points in the vicinity. They are pressing forward steadily.

Chinese troops operating in north Chekiang launched an attack on the Japanese at Luhsien and Hsien-feng between Hangchow and Yuhang last week.

INVENTORS GET BUSY

War Office Swamped With Ideas

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 21 (UP).—Great Britain's director of scientific research revealed today government receives hundreds of inventions and ideas each week—some of them useful but many of them humorously absurd.

One woman, he said, suggested that Adolf Hitler's "secret weapon" was a scheme to drop locusts enclosed in glass bowls over England in the summer-time to destroy agricultural crops.

One of the proposed inventions was an enormous magnet to disorganize the compasses of invading aircraft or ships. Another scheme was to drop gasoline behind the German lines and set fire to the countryside.

The director said plans for "death rays" arrive twice a week. Another plan was for a radio wave that would destroy airplanes and "seem to do everything but break the Ten Commandments."

He said one inventor proposed the use of anti-aircraft shells carrying trailing wires which would wrap themselves around aircraft in flight.

Kwangsi Troops On March



ONE of the latest photographs of Kwangsi troops moving up to the Pakhoi region in anticipation of the Japanese invasion, which has now become the most important of the recent Japanese moves in the China war.

Planes Spread Death in Kwangsi

CHIANG MAY APPLY TORCH TO NANNING

JAPANESE WARPLANES ARE PRECEDING THE ARMY VANGUARD THREATENING NANNING, ANCIENT CAPITAL OF KWANGSI PROVINCE WHICH HAS BEEN INVADDED BY ALIEN FORCES FOR THE FIRST TIME IN CENTURIES.

Thirty-two bombers staged raids over a wide area in the province yesterday.

Nanning, whose 300,000 civilians have evacuated to the interior, suffered two violent raids.

Wuning was raided by nine planes, while another nine machines bombed Tsienkiang.

Orders have been issued for the "scorched earth" policy to be applied to Nanning the moment it becomes obvious that the city can no longer be held.

But the Chinese are determined to resist the Japanese, who are now in the mountains twenty miles away, to the utmost.

Picked Men Recalled

Picked divisions of Kwangsi troops have been recalled from Kwangtung, where they have been defending the Canton-Hankow Railway, to resist the invader of their mother-province. They are under the command of Tsai Ting-kai, famed "Defender of Woosung." Capture of Nanning would sever one of China's vital rail and highway routes with French Indo-China. A railway links the former capital with Hanoi, and the city is on the direct route to Kweilin, the province's war-time capital.

It is believed that the Japanese will, if Nanning falls, attempt to push further along the French-Indo China border towards Yunnan.

"Central News" reported this morning that the Japanese are countering considerable opposition north-east of Yumchow and a column was defeated yesterday at Kowling-hu.

Kwangtung Activity

In addition to the Kwangsi invasion, Japanese troops are reported to be displaying considerable new activity in Kwangtung.

A bitter fight occurred yesterday near Kowkong, when a Japanese unit attempting to push into Shinghsingh were defeated. Considerable fighting is taking place along the West River regions, where much of the warfare is between opposing forces afloat.

Japanese units moving towards Wongtung, ten miles upstream from Samshui, were ambushed yesterday and abandoned several dead.

Chinese Raid Fatahan

Fatahan was raided by Chinese planes on Friday, belated reports reveal, and despite intense Japanese A.A. fire, dropped over 50 bombs. A Chinese communiqué claims that direct hits were scored on the Japanese barracks and supply depots. All the Chinese machines returned to their bases.

Operations in Kwangtung

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—YAMCHOW, Nov. 21 (Domel).—While the advance forces are steadily consolidating their positions in the coastal region.

Three Japanese Army detachments have captured Lomoni, about 7 miles east of Tassu on the Kwangtung-Kwangsi border.

Two other Japanese Army detachments are reported to be moving towards the coast.

Soviet-Japan Trade Treaty Negotiations To Be Opened

MOSCOW, Nov. 20, (Reuter).

—M. Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Commissar, and Mr. Togo, the Japanese Ambassador to Moscow, have agreed to open negotiations for a trade treaty based on the Most Favoured Nation clause.

The negotiations will cover the question of Japanese-Soviet and Chinese-Soviet ports.

The exchange of views is still in a very preliminary stage, and it is not yet decided where the negotiations will be held.

Russia prefers Moscow, but as the Japanese have no commercial experts attached to the Embassy, the Japanese favour Tokyo.

Real Significance

Soviet-Japanese trade is at present insignificant and a basis for a large expansion is lacking.

Nevertheless, negotiations are important principally as part of the Soviet effort to improve the political relations with Japan for the purpose of obtaining a freer hand on the Western Front.

The success of this effort will depend mainly on the Soviet's attitude towards China.

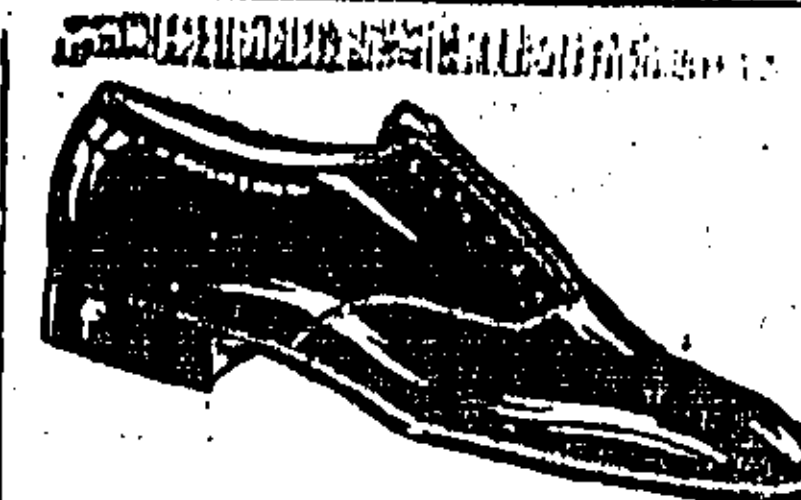
Some observers here believe that Russia is prepared to abandon the support to General Chiang Kai-shek in order to secure an arrangement with Japan, but others are doubtful, having regard to the long tradition of Russian political activity in China.

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"R. Abbit's" Cricket Comments

COUNTY CRICKET POSSIBILITIES

Undergraduates' Good Show Against Indians At Sookunpoo

THE STATEMENT that it is hoped to run some modified form of County Cricket next season is one that will come as a pleasant surprise to most cricketers out here. Of course we recognise only too well that it is at present nothing more than a hope, and, I fear, a somewhat faint one. There will no doubt be plenty of good cricketers in England for everyone does not go to France.

To my mind the great difficulty will be transport. In big Military centres there will no doubt be the material for some excellent teams, who will be probably well above second class county standard, and I suppose that even in wartime a two-day fixture might be possible. But once one starts trying to take a team from A to B. difficulties arise.

Petrol is I believe more strictly preserved than anything else. So far as I know the train service is very nearly normal, and that might overcome the difficulty, though it is not nearly so handy a method of getting apart (though perhaps safer), and it might curtail hours of play.

There is however one great thing about it, and that is it is sure to annoy the Nazis horribly. I have heard of the game. A man I knew who once lunched with Von Ribbentrop told me that he is completely acquainted with the sporting activities of the English—in book knowledge anyway. But its playing way off and it will indeed be a "queer war" if we get as far as that.

The University

I WENT down on Saturday to see the University playing the Indian Recreation Club, but, unfortunately, I had been held up, and then an intelligent taxi-driver delivered me to the Sookunpoo Army Sports Ground where I found Godby and Whatman knocking the next letter to K out of a not very strong Other Ranks eleven's bowling.

A glance across the fence led me to suppose that the best University bats were still in, for the batsmen seemed quite at home. After enjoying as good a ten minutes' hitting as I have seen for a long time, I stopped across to the other ground only to find to my horror that nine wickets were down, and just after I arrived a quick return ran out Lingam after a good knock of twenty.

NOT SO BAD

THE total of 97 is a pretty poor one at first sight, but it must be remembered that the Varsity had three or four of their best players away, while the I.R.C. attack was pretty good—only A. H. Madar and Nazarin being missing. I was very glad to find A. R. Minu turning out again, and to get his opinion of the Varsity batting. He said, as was obvious, that there are

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Secretary.

weak spots, but he thought the side would come on, and spoke very highly of Lo Tak-chong's knock, which, though it only totalled thirteen, showed great promise. I discovered that he is a son of an old friend of mine M. W. Lo, and that reminded me that I had seen him but as a schoolboy—Queen's College I think—a season or so ago, and had seen possibilities in his batting then. As he is only in his first year at the Varsity he has plenty of time to develop his game.

By the way, I have a vague idea that I used occasionally to play against M. W. Lo at the Chinese Recreation Club when he sometimes took an afternoon off and played cricket for the eleven—now nonexistent, alas—which Ng Sze-kwong used to captain.

A NEW BOWLER

WITH R. Singh away in camp, the University put on Mahmood with Gegg. He did not seem very spectacular, but he kept a length and took 6 for 43, a good performance. Gegg has an easy delivery and is on the fast side of medium, but he is rather of the "hook" type. If he could spin the ball a bit more he would do better. He only sent down 4 overs and 6 runs only were scored off him. Lo got a couple of wickets, but they cost 24 in two overs.

For the Indians, H. Rummah and H. T. Barman both got double figures to give them a fair start. I suppose that with the exception of T. E. Pearce, Rummah has played here longer than any active cricketer, unless I count myself one in the strength of an annual appearance for Cambridge!

The two Madars and Nazarin were away, but there were several double figures, and M. I. Razack hit up 33 while Minu got 19 not out. A three wickets victory.

GENERALLY SPEAKING

THE FIELDING seemed to be up to the usual high standard of the sides. Minu seemed to have found a length quite comfortably, and his return will make an enormous difference to the I.R.C. first eleven. I hear it is just possible that A.R. Abbas may turn out again this season. He was a useful bat at one time opening the innings, if my memory serves me, but he has not been able to play for the last year or two. I hear the Navy have retired from the first Division, which does not surprise me under the circumstances. I hope they will be able to keep a team going in the Second Division. All things considered, I see no reason why the University should not be allowed to take over the Navy fixtures in the first League Division. It would save a great deal of bother in one way, though it would I suppose impose an equal amount in the Second Division, as I see from the couple of cards I have that University have booked up in that. And they cannot play two games at once, for I assume that they have no second eleven. If they have it solves it; if not, it's a difficult question.

C.B.S. Crash

THE CENTRAL British school has been doing so well that it came rather as a surprise to find them go down so heavily before a team of the Club de Recreo, which was, I think, to all intents and purposes a second eleven; but they did well enough to get them out for 148, seeing that H. A. Barros made 54 and Noronha 29 not out. But the batting went completely to pieces. Gosano and Noronha were too much for the earlier batsmen, and there was a bad run out. Well, the best bat in the school, alone got into double figures, and only just managed to do that. The whole side were out for 35.

Particularly, these things happen in school cricket, and the side must not be discouraged. The Recreo attack is, I am inclined to think, the most dangerous of any second division side, especially when bowling on their own wicket.

Hard Hitting

AS I mentioned before, I had a look at the Officers' team



A general view after the paddock parade, with some of the ponies leaving for the field in the Castle Peak Handicap, second section. Tribute (Mr. P. P. Botelho up) is leading, with Lancashire Chap (Mr. Y. T. Fung) and Sports Venture (Mr. H. J. A. Heane) in the rear. None of these was placed, the race being won by Wilbur, with Phoenix and Matador second and third.—Rome Photos.

Middleweight Title

Hostak Offered Bout With Ceferino Garcia

NEW YORK, (UP).—Mike Jacobs, outstanding boxing promoter, to-day offered Al Hostak of Seattle a fight with Ceferino Garcia, Filipino battler, for the world middleweight title at the Madison Square Garden on February 2.

Hostak is recognised as the world middleweight title-holder by the National Boxing Association, which controls boxing in the majority of the states, and Garcia is recognised as the champion by the New York Boxing Commission.

Eddie Marino, manager of Hostak, said that Hostak was willing to meet Garcia anywhere except in New York and California, where Hostak also is not recognised as the champion.

MEANWHILE, CHIT Harrison, "Seattle Star" Sports editor, said that Hostak would go on a tour late in November.

Hostak has been idle since he regained the National Boxing Association middleweight crown last June from Solly Kreiger of Brooklyn. Garcia is shortly to leave for Manila and is to meet Glen Lee in a bout billed as a championship affair in the Philippines capital on December 16.

NO SANCTION YET

JESS Cortes, Filipino promoter, who has arranged the Manila fight, has announced that the bout would be for the world championship, although neither the N.B.A. nor the N.Y.B.C. has yet sanctioned it as such.

The N.B.A. recently announced that it would recognise a Hostak-Garcia bout as a championship affair. Garcia gained N.Y.B.C. recognition as champion by scoring a technical knockout over Freddie Apostoli early this month.

walloping the Other Ranks' bowling all over the place. Whatman, who I have always thought has always gone in far too low down in the batting order for the Army, went in first wicket, and hit up 75 very forcibly, then Godby played a characteristically good innings and hit up 65 not out. Hatfield only sent down five overs, and does not in any way seem to have struck his old form this season.

MORE WEAK BOWLING

WHEN the Other Ranks batted, if they did not make quite so much hay of the bowling, they were never in any danger of defeat and ran up 133 for 3 wickets, everyone getting double figures.

I see Corporal Webb went in first wicket, and I think it may suit him better than opening the innings. Seven people had a bowl for the officers, and none of them managed very much, but Pearl, who seems to be bowling much better this year, got 2 for 18 in 5 overs. It was a cheerful game.

Sacrilege

SINCE I began to write this article, I have seen the notice in a paper that Agar's Plough is going to be brought under cultivation for food products. I cannot believe that with so much pasture land waiting the plough that this, one of the most well known and historical of cricket grounds, can be abandoned, unless it is as a magnificent gesture.

Cricket at Eton will of course continue—they have other grounds. But one would have thought that tradition would have sacrificed one of these others rather than Agar's Plough.

Golf

CHARITY GAMES YIELD £1,000 FOR WAR FUND

Sale, Cheshire, Oct. 17. HENRY Cotton was beaten two and one in a 36-holes golf match with Dick Burton, British open champion, at Sale, Cheshire, to-day—yet he earned more than £300 for the Red Cross by his defeat.

He has now been beaten all four times in his charity tour. He said afterwards:

"I do seem to have made myself a bit of a cocoa-nut shie, but what does it matter? I admit I didn't play at my best to-day, but I enjoyed every minute of it."

During the afternoon round an approach shot struck a spectator on the head and dazed him.

BALLS AUCTIONED

The balls were autographed by the players and Cotton auctioned them to the crowd. Burton's two brought £15 and £10. Cotton's £10 and £5. Cotton's four charity games have yielded more than £1,000.

About 50,000 cigarettes will be provided for the Forces by a four-ball 18-holes golf match in which W. J. Cox (Wimbledon Park) and Archie Compton (Coombe Hill) beat two other Ryder Cup professionals, Dai Rea (Hindhead) and Alfred Perry (Leatherhead) by one hole at Wimbledon Park.

Dewar Cup Semi-Finals

In the semi-finals of the Dewar Cup golf competition at Kowloon City, W. Kershaw (14) beat A. J. Dennis (6) two and one, and A. E. Davies (6) after being five down at the 13th, beat A. A. Lopes (9) at the 20th.

1939 Field And Track Champions

Here is the complete list of 1939 English track and field champions, with the performances that gave them their victories:

100 yards, A. W. Sweeney, Miltoncarian A. C., 9.9s.
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One mile, S. C. Wooderson, Blackheath Harriers, 4m. 11.8s. (Champion record.)
Three miles, C. A. J. Emery, Achilles Club, 14m. 8s. (British record.)

Six miles, S. O. A. Palmer, Wales, 30m. 9.4s.
Ten miles, Jean Chapelle, Belgium, 51m. 50s.

Marathon, D. McNab Robertson, Scotland, 2h. 35m. 37s.
Two-mile walk, H. G. Churcher, Belgrave Harriers, 31.4m.
Seven-mile walk, H. G. Churcher, Belgrave Harriers, 53m. 4s.
440-yard relay (4x103) Blackheath Harriers, 43.4s.

One-mile relay (4x440), South London Harriers, 3m. 25.8s.
120-yard hurdles, R. J. Brassier, Holland, 14.7s.

440-yard hurdles J. Bosmans, Belgium, 54.9s.

Two-mile steeplechase, Jean Chapelle, Belgium, 10m. 22.4s.
High jump, J. L. Newman, Lloyds Bank A. C., 6ft. 2in.

Long jump, W. E. N. Breach, Reading A. C., 23ft. 8in.

Hop, step and jump, J. Palamiotis, Greece, 49ft. 33in.

Pole vault, F. R. Webster, Miltoncarian A. C., 12ft. 3in.

Shot-put (16-pound), A. G. J. De Bruyn, Holland, 45ft. 9in.

Hammer throw (16-pound), B. Heafon, Eire, 161ft. 8in.

Discus throw, N. Syllas, Greece, 161ft. 13in.

Javelin throw, J. A. McD. McKillop, Miltoncarian A. C., 166ft. 7in.

Tug-of-war (catchweight), Royal Ulster Constabulary.

Tug-of-war (100 stones), Royal Ulster Constabulary.

Jealous Chinchilla Bites Wendy Barrie

Though Wendy Barrie is not one of the very few women in the world who own a chinchilla, she is one of the even fewer women who have been bitten by a chinchilla.

For a scene in "First Kiss" at 20th Century-Fox, Wendy was portraying a model and wore a chinchilla wrap and held a live chinchilla in her hand. She wasn't warned that red finger-knives are to the little beast what a red flag is to a bull, and allowed the chinchilla to get hold of her finger.

The bite was only a puncture, but Wendy had to be taken to the 20th Century-Fox hospital for anti-tetanus treatment. Not the least part of the accident was, Wendy said, that her manicure was "just ruined."

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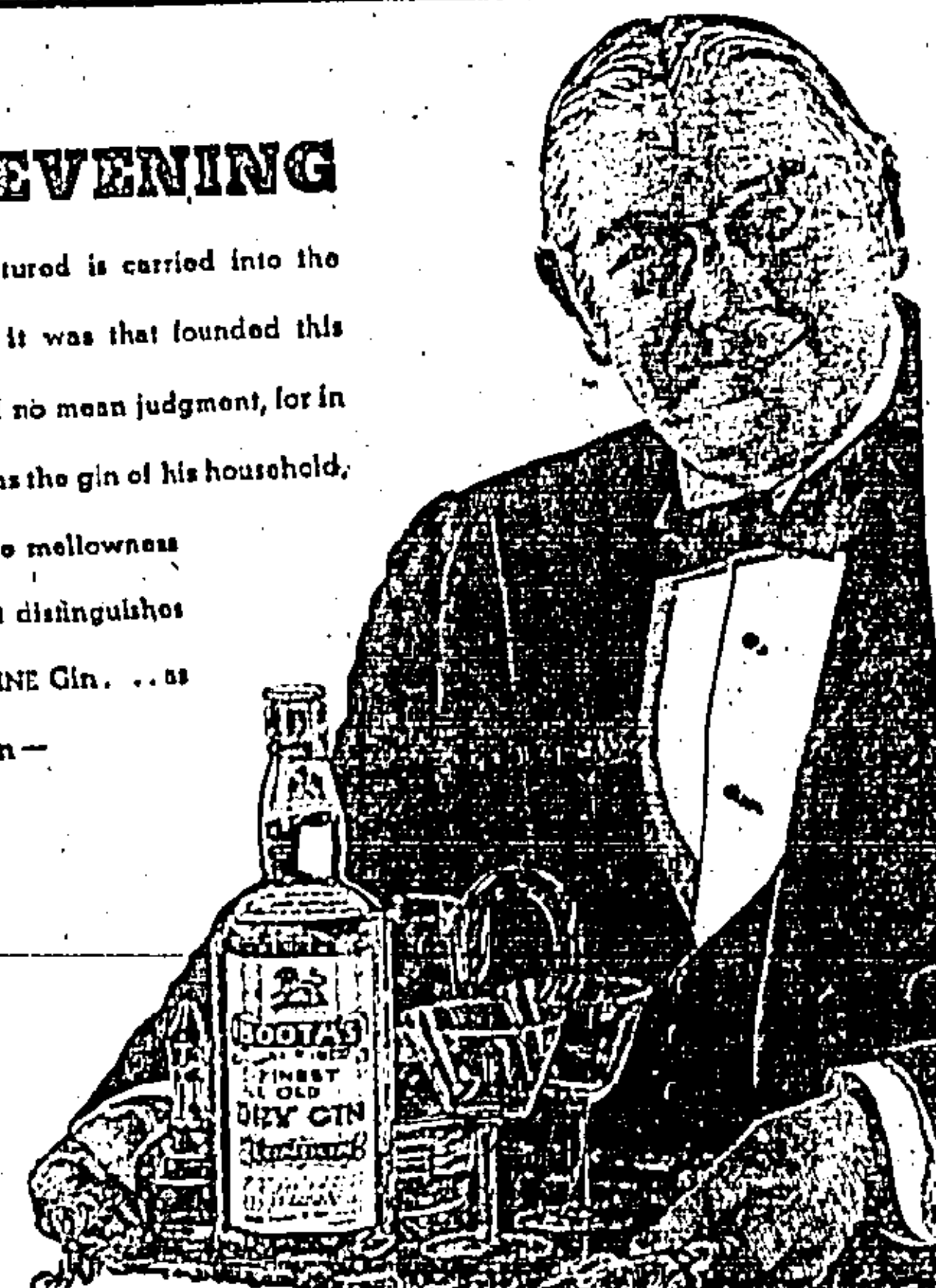
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WARFARE ON WATER



IN SOUTH CHINA has taken to the water. Because and other areas between Canton and Macao are a maze of water, both the Japanese and Chinese have been forced to fight on the water. Photographs on this page are from Chinese and Japanese sources. ABOVE.—Japanese troops crossing the Chungshan



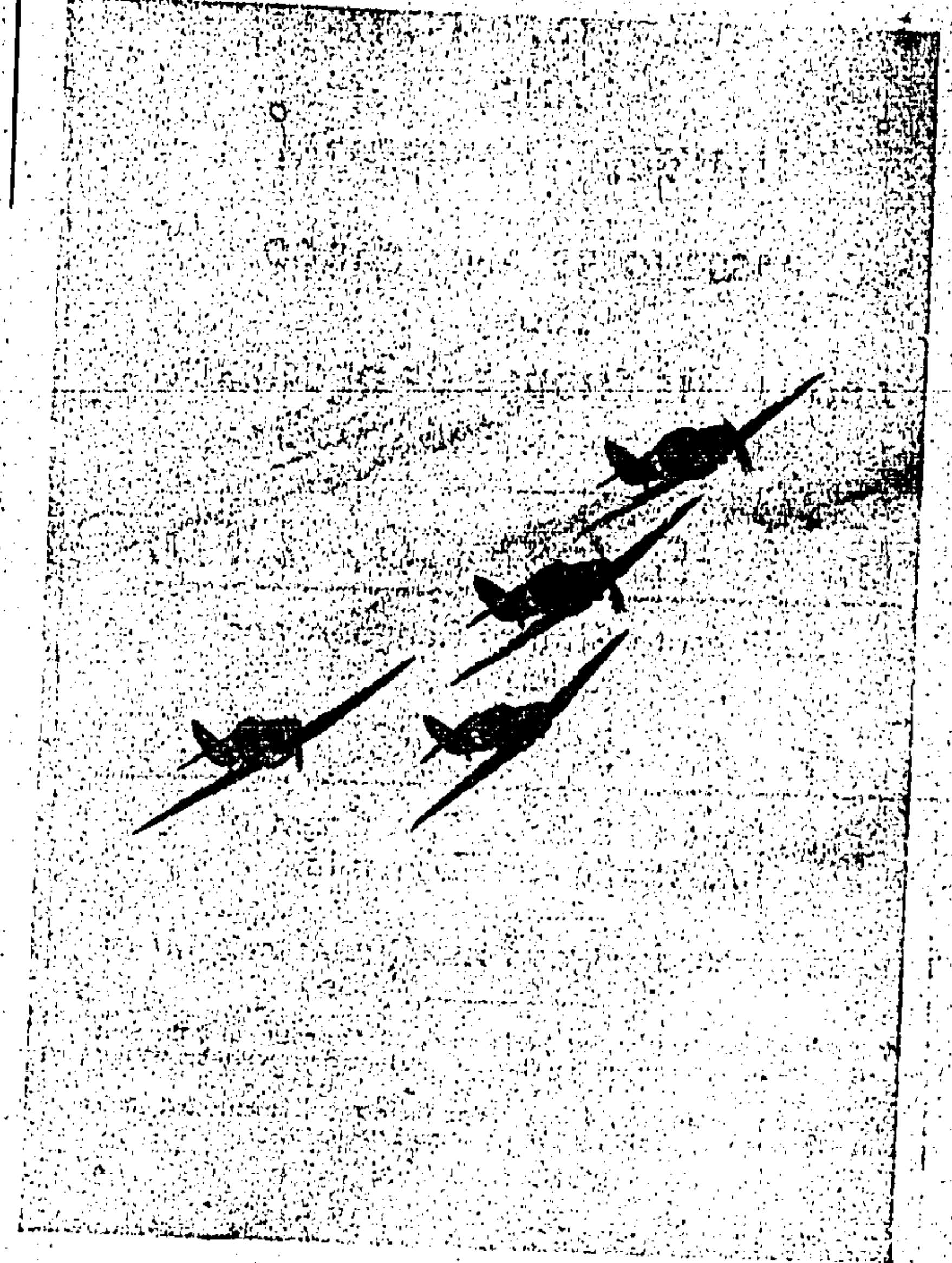
THE CHINESE ALSO have taken to boats. Photograph shows a squad of Regulars creeping ashore for a sortie in the West River district. Thousands of small boats are being used by both sides in this peculiar "naval" warfare.



JAPANESE are better equipped with vessels than the Chinese. They are forced to rely on skiffs and sampans. Japanese are going aboard a small shallow-draught steamship to perform their duties along the Chungshan River.



WHAT'S IT LIKE? The war doesn't seriously perturb the polar bears at the Zoo in London. Mishka, the bear who was the first to see the war, is in this first winter photograph from London.



A SQUADRON of British Hurricane Fighters swooping over Britain in "watching" exercises. These fighters are more than a match for the cumbersome German bombers and would assure them of a warm reception should they attempt to really raid the United Kingdom.—R.A.F. Official Photograph.

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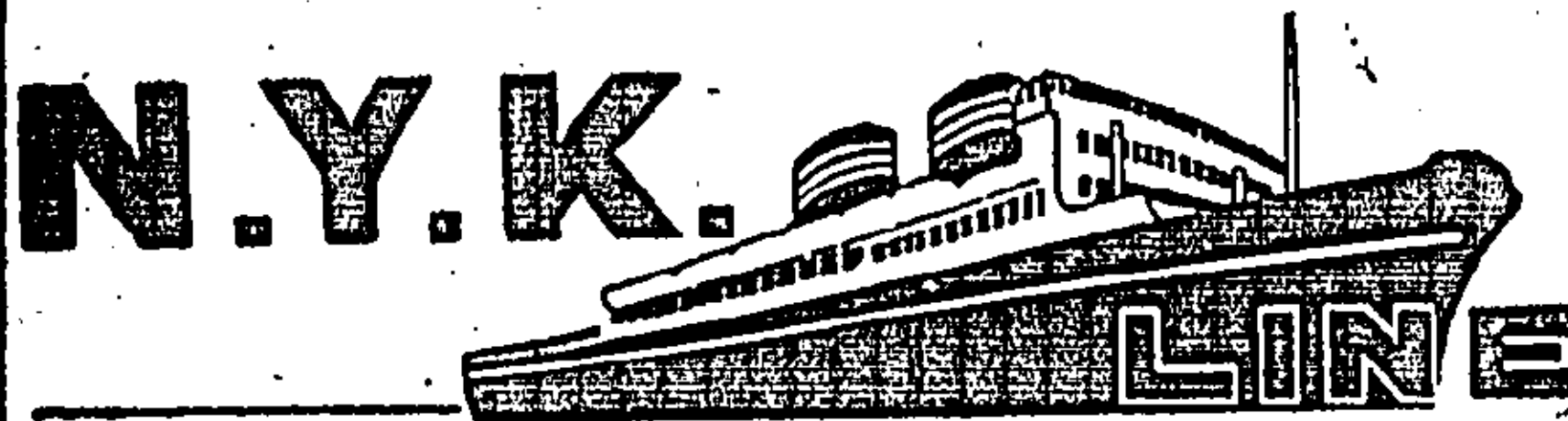
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Nazi Barbarity Is Reversion To Type

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The German practice of illegal mining outside enemy territorial waters is nothing new, states a special commentary.

In June, 1915, four merchant ships and two destroyers were blown up in one day in a field near a sunken light ship where German mines lay.

The two explosions of the Simon Bolivar suggest that the mine field was laid in a zig-zag pattern, a type of sowing not practiced in waters which a nation's own fleet expects to use, because it is impossible to plot the exact positions of mines on secret charts issued by the commanding officers for guidance.

The disaster occurred in a channel regularly swept, but it was no sickness of the sweepers since it is a favourite trick of German U-boat mine-layers to approach at periscope depth an area which has already been swept and sowing their mines shortly after.

Nazi Denials Discredited

The German denials are utterly discredited because Britain obviously would not mine without notification established channels of seaborne traffic.

Germany has announced some areas, notably those closing the Baltic and forcing neutrals to use the Kiel Canal, but German U-boats lay clumps of mines unannounced in the channels this side of the North Sea in order to inflict losses before the minefields are discovered and swept. Many German mines have been washed up on the east coast.

No Bickering This Time

Capital And Labour Work Harmoniously

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the wage advances recently received by several million wage-earners are a striking testimony to the joint collective agreement of employers and employees who have arrived at mutually satisfactory terms without Government or strikes.

The advances mean an improvement of real wages owing to the price-fixing of a wide range of goods.

New Co-operation

Examples of the co-operation of Labour and the Administration are the Joint Advisory Council, consisting of representatives of the Trade Union Congress and the Confederation of Employers, and the appointment of a Trade Union adviser to the Ministry of Shipping and four members of the T.U.C. General Council to advise the Ministry of Food.

It is noted that simultaneous action is taken by the French Government to stabilise wages.

NEW WAR RISK RATES

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The Institute of London Underwriters notify alterations in the current schedule.

Including voyages within the area of Siam, India, Dutch Indies, Malaya and British North Borneo and including voyages between the Straits and Indo-China but not north of Saigon, henceforth the rates will be 40 shillings per cent, but voyages between Malayan ports, excluding Singapore, will be five shillings per cent.

DUTCH SOLDIERS TO GET LEAVE

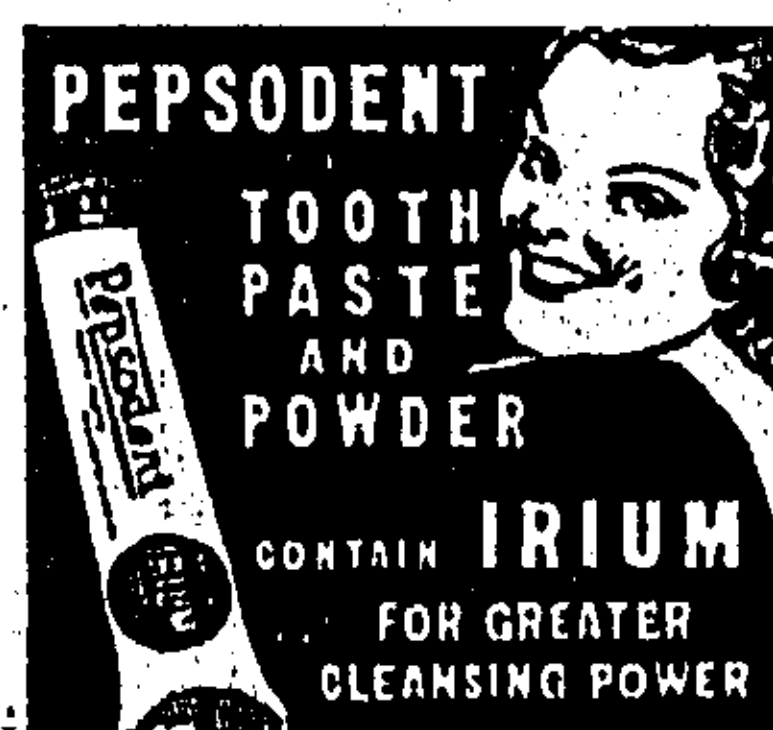
AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Periodical leave in the Netherlands army will be restored to-day.

This leave was cancelled on October 10 when Holland grew worried over the movements of Nazi troops on the other side of the Netherlands-German frontier.

Nazi Prisoners Of War Landed

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Fifty-eight German prisoners marched through a south coast town to-day under armed guard.

They were the crew of a Nazi steamer seized by the Royal Navy earlier in the week.



LETTERS

Government Hospital Sisters
To the Editor,

"Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—It is not wise to be always "agin the Government." I cannot endorse the paragraph in "Facts are Facts" letter in which he criticises the petrol grant for 40 nursing sisters, who are allowed \$90 per annum for conveyance allowance.

If the public were more conversant with the exciting nature of the duties of the hospital sisters and their long hours, more sympathy would be felt for a class of Government employees who are deserving of a greater measure of thanks for the services they render, often at personal peril, as during the prevalence of the epidemic in the Colony. During recent years epidemics have not been of infrequent occurrence.

An allowance of \$90 per annum works out at only \$7.50 per month. When it is realised that the hospitals are situated far apart and the sisters have to visit colleagues and friends at places so widely distant as the Queen Mary Hospital on the Island and the Kowloon Hospital on the mainland, the surprise is that the sisters are granted so small a sum for travelling expenses incurred in seeking relaxation and recreation from their arduous duties.

I would make a special plea that their travelling and other allowances might not be adversely revised so that the recipients of these allowances might be made to suffer unjustly.

J. P. BAAGA.

Empire Equality

Sir,—While they are about it, I would suggest that the Government consider ways and means of raising sufficient revenue to make a \$10,000,000 gesture to Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and India who, like England are devoting all their resources to the successful prosecution of the war.

Or is this idea of a Commonwealth of Nations, in which all are equal partners, a myth?

AUSLIE.

Nazi Pilot Is Killed

Sequel To Exploit Over Holland

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—The pilot of the German plane which crashed in Holland near the German frontier after being attacked by Dutch aircraft has been killed.

German planes have been infringing Dutch territory during the past two days, and it is now officially announced in Berlin that the pilot of a German plane was seriously wounded on Saturday when two trespassing Nazi planes were attacked by a Dutch machine.

Shot Down From Ground

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—It is now announced that the German military plane, which crashed in Holland, was shot down from the ground.

Taxation Concessions

U.S. Gesture To Manufacturers

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20 (UP).—It has been learned that President Roosevelt has assured the Army and Navy departments that preferential tax treatment will be accorded to manufacturers intending to expand their facilities for national defence needs.

It is reported that the Internal Revenue Department will be able to accord special tax treatment which will not require new legislation.

It is understood that concessions will be incorporated in agreements between the manufacturers and the Government, and that the rate of plant depreciation and obsolescence needed for computing purposes will be stipulated in advance.

According to an unofficial version, frontier guards actually shot the pilot with rifles.

"The Handelsblatt" learns that the German pilot, who was shot by the Dutch on Saturday, was badly wounded and reached German territory with great difficulty.

It is understood that the Dutch Legation in Berlin has taken the matter of German planes flying over Holland with the German Government.

Stock Market Shows A Good Tone

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Gilt-edged holdings were again higher to-day, while home industrial stocks strengthened in a good demand, which reveals a shortage of stock. Wall Street was irregular.

New Appointment

LONDON, Nov. 20 (British Wire).—It is announced by the Colonial Office that Mr. S. Moody, deputy chief secretary, Palestine has been appointed Colonial Secretary at Mauritius, in succession to Mr. E. W. Evans, who has retired.

GUARDSMEN IN ACTION

Tin Hats Replace The Busbies

(By WEBB MILLER)

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY
IN FRANCE, Nov. 20 (UP).—

One of the famous guards regiments which thousands of tourists have seen parade in London occupies to-day some of the first-line French blockhouses.

The picturesque, towering "busbies" the men wore in London have been replaced by tin helmets. The helmets are covered by ugly, olive-green gunny-sacking to prevent their glinting in the sun—should the sun ever shine.

Commanders of the regiment include Lord Frederick Cambridge, cousin of King George and nephew of the Queen Mother Mary.

Other members of the British royal family in France include the Duke of Gloucester, Viscount Gort and the Duke of Windsor.

Muddy Ally

One useful ally to the Allied armies has been the persistent rain, which has converted the countryside into a quagmire. But the drenching showers have also been unpleasant. They have filled the newly-dug trenches with yellow water and forced soldiers and correspondents to plod through cabbage and beet fields deep in mud, large chunks of which have stuck to the boots.

Fortunately, almost all the British are now in comfortable billets—farmhouses, barns, evacuated schools, etc. The roads throughout this region are well-paved, often with French cobblestones.

Home Trade Increases!

Astonishing Figures Despite The War

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—A special commentary issued to-day states that the September setback in seaborne trade was due to commercial uncertainty and the sinkings of ships while unprotected, scattered along the ocean trade routes.

The convoy system and the unceasing offensive by the Royal Navy have resulted in a large reduction of sinkings and the restoration of confidence.

Hence the British imports in October increased nearly £12,000,000 and exports £1,500,000.

Defying The U-Boats

The ocean-going tonnage of the British Mercantile Marine at present consists of about 18,500,000 tons in ships over 500 tons.

Despite requisitioning by the Government Department, nearly 90 per cent. of this tonnage remains engaged in purely mercantile work.

The small results of the German U-boat campaign are demonstrated by the fact that nearly 90 per cent. of British imports are arriving safely in British ports, and that the total losses of British mercantile tonnage in all causes during the war amount to less than three-quarters of one per cent. of the total ocean-going tonnage.

CHIANG MAY APPLY TORCH TO NANNING

(Continued from Page 5.)

ments have occupied Chutelling, 7 miles northeast of Taitung, Japanese field officers claim that the main Chinese forces in the Fang-cheng-Yamchow area have collapsed and the first phase of the Japanese operations in southern Kwangtung has been successfully concluded.

Air Raids In Kwangsi

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" SHANGHAI, Nov. 21 (UP).—Chinese reports here state that 32 Japanese planes, in several squadrons, yesterday heavily bombed towns in the province of Kwangsi, in the path of the Japanese advance.

Nine Japanese raiders dropped scores of bombs on Chikiang, another nine bombed Wuning, while a further squadron bombed Nanning. "Tons of bombs were dropped in a raid on Nanning which lasted hours," the reports said. No estimates of casualties have been received.

WAR MINISTER ENTERTAINS

LONDON, Nov. 20 (Reuter).—Mr. Leslie Hore-Bellish has returned by air from a visit to France.

Before leaving, he entertained M. Edouard Daladier (French Premier), General Gamelin (Allied Commander-in-Chief), General Sir Edmund Ironside (British Chief of Staff) and other prominent Anglo-French leaders at a luncheon, and also attended a discussion at the Ministry of War.

Subsequently Mr. Hore-Bellish informed "Reuter" that he had had "some most useful talks."

NEW U.S. ENVOY TO FINLAND

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" STOCKHOLM, Nov. 20 (UP).—The American Ambassador to Moscow, Mr. Laurence Steinhardt, arrived here to-day from Finland.

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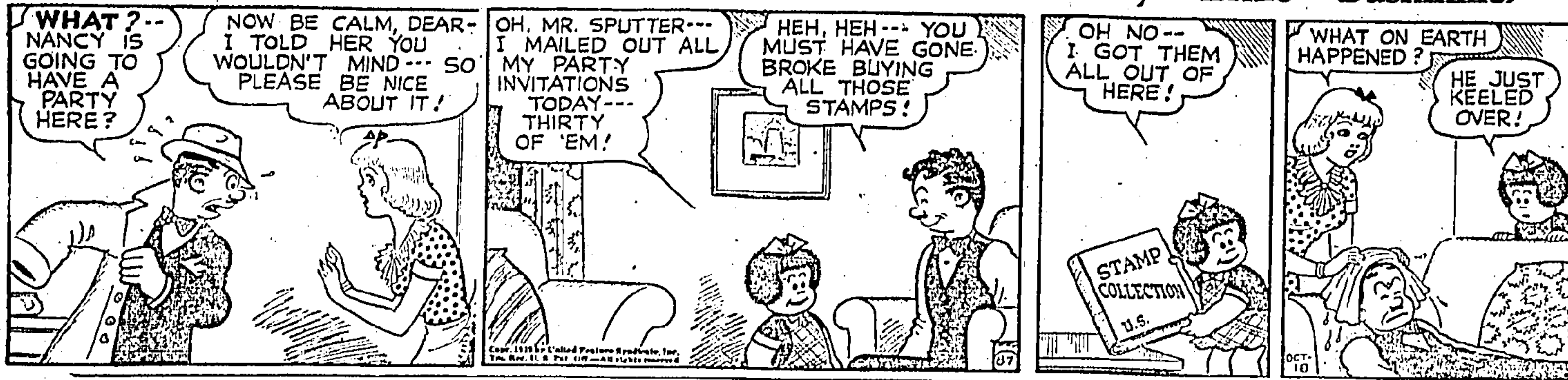
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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

WAVE OF HORROR
SWEEPS BRITAIN

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its right eye a large black mass, and staring steadily from the other one. "Save Me, Jesus!"

Extracts from the most heart-rending stories:

Englishman pushes his three-year-old daughter in a wooden box as he swims in the icy sea for nearly an hour. The daughter, unperturbed and enjoying her ride, remarks: "Are you going to Trinidad in this, daddy?"

Shirley Anne Benson, three-year-old, babbles incessantly: "Save Me, Jesus! Don't throw me into the water again, daddy!"

Two brides-to-be, Misses Laura Martin and Gladys Roberts, lost their trousseaux.

Another Victim

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Nov. 20 (UP)—The indiscriminate Nazi warfare on the High Seas has claimed another victim.

To-day 22 survivors of the British steamer *Arlington Court* (4,915 tons) arrived at a British port.

A rescue ship has carried out a fruitless search for a second lifeboat from the *Arlington Court* with an additional eleven members of the crew.

The survivors were picked up by the Dutch steamer *Algenib*.

The Chief Engineer died before the rescuers arrived. He was buried at sea.

Survivors' Stories

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—LONDON, Nov. 20 (UP)—Twelve members of the crew of the Norwegian tanker *Arne Kjøde*, which was sunk by a submarine, arrived at an East coast port to-day.

They revealed that airplanes had sighted them after they had drifted 55 hours in an open boat, which twice capsized.

They lost all their food when the boat capsized the first time and for two days the 17 men comprising the original party subsisted on a few drops of water. On the third day the boat capsized again, drowning the

Captain, a Steward and two seamen.

The Second Mate said: "When the boat capsized the second time, we were so weak we could not get in again."

"Thirteen of us, managed to cling to the sides, and we were in the water five hours."

"We had given up hope when we heard the airplane. It sighted us, flew over and then raced back for help."

"I am very hazy of what happened after that because, like all the others, I was all in."

"I cannot remember the rescue vessel coming alongside about two hours after the airplane had sighted us. The Bo'sun let go the boat and gave just as the rescue ship reached us. That made, with the four drowned earlier, five dead of the 17 who set out."

Iron Dutch Comment

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 21 (Reuter).—An ironic comment on the sinking of Dutch ships by U-boats and mines is that "Holland has lost as many lives in this war as have been lost on the whole of the Western Front."

The managing director of the Royal Dutch Steamship Company, owners of the *Simon Bolivar*, to-day said: "Holland feels nothing but the deepest gratitude to Britain for the loving care extended to those who were rescued."

Mines Off Jutland

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 21 (Reuter).—Several floating mines have been sighted off the north of Jutland, and a warning has been issued to shipping by the Danish Ministry of Shipping.

Commenting on the numerous sinkings of merchantmen by Nazi mines, a leading Danish newspaper says: "It is no longer a matter of drifting mines, but of mines which have been laid in secret. Though we have only the British version of the sinkings, for Britain to lay mines on her own trade routes would be suicidal."

In Oslo to-day the Norwegian Journal said that it was time steps were taken to clarify the problem of the secret Nazi mine laying.

Steel Forts Bar Invaders—So Peasants Carry On

BRITISH TROOPS DIG IN ON WESTERN FRONT

By WEBB MILLER

United Press War Correspondent with the British Army

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE. THOUSANDS OF BRITISH TROOPS—HOW MANY THOUSANDS IS SECRET—TO-DAY OCCUPY VITAL SECTIONS OF THE VAST FRENCH LINE OF FORTIFICATIONS SOMEWHERE BETWEEN THE CHANNEL AND SWITZERLAND.

I entered at various points the extreme front line positions occupied for the moment by British troops. At intervals of a few hundred yards I saw massive steel and concrete forts of a defensive strength such as existed at only a few points during the last war around Verdun.

A number of points occupied by the British consisted of mammoth pillboxes constructed of concrete and of a strength never approached during the last war.

With recollections of what happened at Verdun it was difficult to conceive this line of fortifications being passed by any army, no matter what the weight of its artillery.

The Optimist

At various points in the front positions British soldiers were digging more defensive positions and gun emplacements. Within a few yards of these warlike activities, French peasants continued to harvest their sugar beets and late forage crops, while the British strung broad belts of barbed wire through their fields.

At one place I saw an optimistic peasant ploughing for next year's crop while the British were digging zig-zag trenches across his field. At another a farmer continued to build his house within a dozen yards of an anti-aircraft emplacement which was in course of construction.

Difficult

As a typical instance, I entered a huge steel and concrete fort with walls and roof twelve feet thick. Less than a hundred yards in front ran anti-tank obstacles. It was difficult to imagine a tank, no matter what its size, negotiating this barrier.

And through the periscope projecting through the roof of this particular fort I could see other forts of equal strength which covered the entire area for thousands of yards.

In front of these positions were strong barriers of barbed wire. Newly-dug communication trenches led from the back positions to the strong points.

An obliging British N.C.O. showed us the armament of this particular fort, and how this or that type of gun covered certain fields. Just in front of his position a culvert was already mined, and could be destroyed by touching a button.

Zig-Zagged

The communication trenches zig-zagged through the back gardens of peasants, where children played and women were still hanging out the washing.

The British N.C.O. in charge of this little garrison pointed out the metal container which held rations for several weeks in case he and his men were cut off. He proudly pointed to the supply of ammunition, and seemed confident that he and his men could hold out for weeks.

Straw was strewn on the concrete floor as bedding. By a simple movement he could operate a steel flap, erect the periscope, and obtain a clear view of the entire countryside.

On our way to the front we passed through towns where, as an officer described it, "There was not a cat a week ago." But to-day many had returned and busy markets were in progress in the town squares, doing a big trade with the Tommies.

Ingenuous

Even in the comparatively narrow sector we visited an immense amount of human labour has been expended in contriving the most effective and

ingenious defences against an invader.

Again to-day we passed miles of drab, olive-coloured and business-like-looking British columns, and at no time during the day did I see a single horse used for Army transport or a single soldier on foot—everything in a modern army travels on rubber tyres at thirty to forty miles an hour.

An amazing feature of modern warfare is the way in which troops are concealed. Except for the necessary transport on the roads, and the troops digging defensive works, you can pass through the countryside and never realise that tens or hundreds of thousands of men are billeted there. Even the steel helmets are camouflaged.

Journalists in cars are instructed to proceed at intervals of a few hundred yards, not to congregate at headquarters, and to make their halls under trees or cover.

Rim To Rim

During to-day's journey we passed through areas which I had known during the last war where not a house remained intact, and where the earth, as far as the eye could see, we pitted, rim to rim, with shell holes. To-day crops were being harvested there by patient slow-moving peasants.

HOWEVER MELANCHOLY ONE'S THOUGHTS IN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO AVOID BEING IMPRESSED BY THE INDOMITABLE TENACITY OF THE FRENCH PEASANT WHO GOES ON PLOUGHING FOR NEXT YEAR'S CROP WITHIN A FEW YARDS OF WAR.

TYTAM VILLAGE ROBBERY

Wong Yau-yue, of Tytam Village, reports that his residence was entered on Sunday and money and jewellery to the value of \$710 was stolen.

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The vessel is being built to the order and special requirements of the Government of Fiji as an administrative vessel for patrol duties between the islands of Fiji and the British Islands in the Western Pacific. Her principal dimensions are length 170 feet, breadth 31 ft. 6 ins. and depth 15 feet.

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When on commission the *Viti* will be used for administrative cruises. She is fitted with large capacity oil fuel tanks, fresh water storage tanks and refrigerated provision chambers for undertaking these lengthy cruises. Two heavy derricks of ten tons lifting capacity have been provided for attending buoys, beacons and lighthouses.

Among her other duties she will be engaged in hydrographic survey work, collecting data for meteorological records and gathering specimens of marine flora and fauna for which the necessary instruments and equipment will be provided. A hospital dispensary will also be installed for supplying medical comforts and assistance to the inhabitants of the lesser populated islands.

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U.S. Parley In Shanghai

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—SHANGHAI, Nov. 20 (UP)—Admiral Hart and Mr. Clarence Gauss, American Consul General, to-day met

the United States Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson upon his arrival aboard the President Coolidge. They escorted him to the U.S.S. *Augusta* where a conference is being held to-night because Admiral Hart and Mr. Gauss are leaving soon for Manila.

Mr. Johnson is going to Peiping in the near future.

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Sequel To Border Conflict

Chinese Officer Is Charged In Hongkong

THE recent invasion of Shataukok by the Japanese had a sequel at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when an officer of the Chinese Self-Defence Corps was charged before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor with unlawful possession of two revolvers, one automatic pistol and 18 rounds of ammunition.

The officer was Suet Lol, 30, and he pleaded not guilty to the charge, saying that he had the right to carry arms in Chinese territory, and that if he had known of the laws of Hongkong he would not have brought them into British territory.

According to Mr. J. D. Prentiss, Assistant Crown Solicitor, Suet was arrested on October 21 on the riding a bicycle along the main road at Shataukok. He was stopped by a Chinese detective and at the back of the bicycle was found a parcel containing the arms.

When formally charged, Suet said he was going to sell the arms, and at the Magistrate he made a statement to the effect that the revolvers and pistol were the property of the Chinese Self-Defence Corps except one which belonged to him.

He added that when the Japanese invaded Shataukok he came across the border with the arms and later was approached by four guerrillas to dispose of them.

Straightforward Actions

Evidence of arrest was given by Det.-Sergt. Chung Wai, who added that he knew Suet had been a commander of a squad of the Self-Defence Corps in Shataukok.

Sergeant L. C. Pennell said throughout Suet had acted in a straightforward manner and had given every assistance to the Police.

After Sergeant G. Perkins, Police armorer, had stated that the arms were in good working order, the statement given in the Court below by Cheng Shing-san, a farmer, who could not attend Court because of illness, was read out. Cheng said he knew Suet had been employed as an officer in the Police and Self-Defence Corps at Shataukok.

One day, four guerrillas approached Suet to sell them the arms, but the sale was not carried through because he wanted \$90 for each of them.

Accused's Statement

In a statement from the dock, Suet said: "I had the right to carry arms in Shataukok when I was commander of a squad of the Self-

Defence Corps. When the Japanese invaded the place I had no way to escape but to cross to British territory. I did not know that I had to get a permit for the arms. If I had known I would not have brought them along with me. Possession of arms in Chinese territory is very common. I did not know it was so strict in British territory."

Summing up, His Lordship said there had been no suggestion that Suet would use or misuse the arms in British territory, though if it had been known that at the time he had been approached to sell them to guerrillas the position of the Colony as a neutral might be embarrassing. But that was not the charge against him. In view of the fact that the Police did not seem to take a serious view, the case could have been dealt with by the Magistrate. Instead of keeping the man for four weeks to await trial.

After the Jury had returned a verdict of guilty without retiring, His Lordship advised Suet to bear in mind the strictness of the British law in regard to possession of arms should he cross the border next time.

One Month's Imprisonment

"I think," he said, "justice would be done if, bearing in mind the fact that you have already been four weeks in prison, I sentence you to one month's imprisonment to date from last Friday."

The arms were ordered to be confiscated. The following comprised the Jury: Messrs. G. Gerrard (Foreman), J. E. J. Walker, J. W. Lee, Ho Kai-suey, Lu Tak-lam, Sou Yen-chang and H. A. da Rosa.

Reduced Activity On Saar Front

PARIS, 20 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day states that there was reduced activity on the Front. There were a few patrols and some artillery fire.

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
NEW YORK, Nov. 20, (UP).
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members of the crews of three
Standard Oil Company tankers
which have been registered
under the Panamanian flag have
walked off. They demand that
the Danish Consul General send
them home.

Mr. Thomas Christensen, organizer
of the Scandinavian Seamen's Club
in Brooklyn, said the agents of the
Danish Petroleum Company, which
the Standard Oil Company controls,
offered the men jobs in Denmark.
When they arrived in New York
they discovered 1,200 unemployed
Scandinavian seamen already there.
Many were also brought to the
United States by the Standard Oil
Company.

The Standard Oil Company denies
that the men had been hired under
false pretences and said that all had
signed regular papers aboard the
ships and "then deserted after agita-
tors had misled them."

GERMAN STEAMERS IN KOBÉ PREPARES FOR SEA

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to make a dash for the open sea at
any favourable opportunity.

The two new Diesel vessels
Anneliese Eschberger and the Elsa Es-
chberger, which were reported to
have evaded the British naval patrol
and got out of Nagasaki have joined
the five German ships at Kobe.
Officers said. Two more were ex-
pected from Dairen loaded with oil.

Living On Board

The several hundred members of
the crew of the 18,000-ton
Norddeutscher Lloyd liner Scharn-
horst were living on board.

"Although the Scharnhorst crew
get an allowance of only 14 yen a
month, they appear quite happy to
stick it out for the duration of the
war with pretty Japanese girls for
company."

The crew of the R. C.
Rickenbacker get an allowance of 40 yen
a month, one passenger said.

Five of the German vessels in-
cluding the Scharnhorst and Line
cargo-passenger vessel Kalmierland,
have been at Kobe for two months.

The Kalmierland's funnel with the
usual ring markings had been painted
yellow with a black tip like that of
certain Dutch ships. The letter B on
one Eschberger line ship had been
painted over.

Japanese attitude was now more
anti-German than anti-British and
officials adopted a more reasonable
and neutral attitude, the "Tele-
graph" was told.

ANOTHER SHIP SUNK

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bouts soon became separated, and an
anxious search by the rescue vessel
failed to reveal any trace of the
missing boat.

The Arlington Court is a ship of
4,915 tons. She was built at Belfast
in 1924 for the Court Line of London,
and is a sister ship of the Kensington
Court, whose crew of 34 were rescued
by R.A.F. planes in September, after
the ship had been sunk by a U-boat
in the Atlantic.

Strange U-Boat Action

How they spent more than an hour
in the ship's lifeboats waiting for
their vessel to be sunk by a U-boat
was described by the survivors of
the Arlington Court.

When the submarine appeared the
crew abandoned the ship, but instead
of sinking the merchantman, the U-
boat submerged and disappeared.

After waiting for an hour the cap-
tain decided to return, but just as the
boats' crews started to pull towards
the vessel, the submarine's periscope
was sighted and a torpedo was fired.
The missile struck amidships and the
funnel was blown off when the bolts
exploded.

As from December 1, and until
further notice, the passage through
the Fataunum Pass will be prohibi-
ted to all craft, a naval announcement
declares to-day.

HONGKONG'S TRADE IS SOARING

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Japanese operations. Exports, total-
ling \$1,538,004, are \$7,478,215 below
the total for the corresponding period
last year, while imports, totalling
\$1,201,201, are \$5,349,831 lower.

Hongkong's exports to the United
Kingdom have decreased consider-
ably, the total for last month
(\$1,845,000) being \$3,316,833 lower
than in the corresponding period
last year.

Germany's Loss
The full effect of the war on Ger-
man trade became apparent last
week, when German imports from
Hongkong ceased entirely.

Germany normally imports approx-
imately \$400,000 worth of merchan-
dise per month from Hongkong. Im-
ports from Germany declined from
\$2,720,328 (in October last year) to
\$47,084, and will presumably cease
altogether this week.

Even when the European war ends,
Germany will experience consider-
able difficulty in regaining her lost
markets in the Far East.

This is indicated by the experi-
ences of Italy and Spain. Italy
has not yet regained the trade she
lost through Sanctions (last month
her exports to Hongkong totalled
\$55,541, as compared with \$397,000
in October last year).

Similarly, trade with Spain is still
at a standstill, there being no imports
from that country and exports total-
ling only \$342.

U.S. Biggest Customer

The United States is now Hong-
kong's biggest customer.

Exports to America last month
totalled \$9,303,740, an increase of
over 100 per cent. on the correspond-
ing period last year. Imports from
the U.S. totalled \$4,107,525, an in-
crease of \$1,029,031.

GERMAN THREATS TO BRITISH NAVY

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and neutral, is now being put into
effect.

Because U-boats have been having
such a hard time, the Nazis have at-
tacked the British fleet, and Admiral
Raeder has, it is believed, ordered
the indiscriminate sowing of mine-
fields in the North Sea.

This, of course, is a direct viola-
tion of International Law and of the
convention to which Germany at-
tached her signature.

It is believed that the mines are
laid at a considerable depth and are
automatically released by chemical
action. Another suggestion is that
they are a new type of magnetic
mine.

It is believed that the mines are
laid in pairs.

There is no definite information re-
garding the number of U-boats
equipped for mine-laying. Two of
over 1,000 tons were ordered prior to
the outbreak of war and have not yet
been completed. It is possible, of
course, to refit the smaller submarines
for this work.

It is noteworthy that one of the
sunk-and-victims, the steamer Black
Hill (formerly the War Cherry) was
shelled by one of Franco's armed
trawlers during the Spanish Civil
war. The shelling resulted in a Bri-
tish protest.

GALLANT CZECHS

Resisting Despite
Gestapo Orgy

LONDON, Nov. 21 (Reuter).
—That the Nazis have in no way
cowed the spirit of Czechoslo-
vakia, and that the notorious
"Black Guards" are indulging in
an orgy of hooliganism in
Prague, are revealed in reliable
reports reaching London.

A report from Bucharest says that
working men and women are joining
students in resisting the Nazi oppres-
sion.

A manifesto has been issued by
Czech students in Prague and dis-
tributed in pamphlet form in Prague
and other Czech towns.

The pamphlet says inter-alia, that
"Czech youth will continue to fight
against Nazism."

Other reports indicate that the
students have by no means been
quelled by the brutal methods of the
Nazis.

Gestapo Running Wild

Meanwhile official Czech sources
in London have revealed informa-
tion received from Prague through
underground channels. According
to this information, the "Black
Guards" and Gestapo are running
wild in Prague.

The national monument of the
liberation of the Czechs, a shrine
containing documents relating to the
Czech struggle for freedom in the
Great War, has been destroyed.

The "Black Guards" in a senseless
orgy of destruction have buried
valuable records and run their
daggers through pictures of President
Masaryk and other Czech heroes.

The building is situated in the
workmen's suburb of Prague, and
contains many irreplaceable docu-
ments from the Great War.

Mud Wins On Western Front Rains Turn Trenches Into Rivers

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 20 (Domei).—

Quiet continues to prevail on the
Western Front, owing mainly to
continual downpours of rain
of the past few days.

As the result of the heavy down-
pours, the Rhine and other rivers
have considerably risen, bringing
military operations along the entire
front to a standstill.

The German side of the Rhine
has been heavily flooded and Ger-
man troops are at present busily
engaged in making ditches to drain
their flooded frontlines.

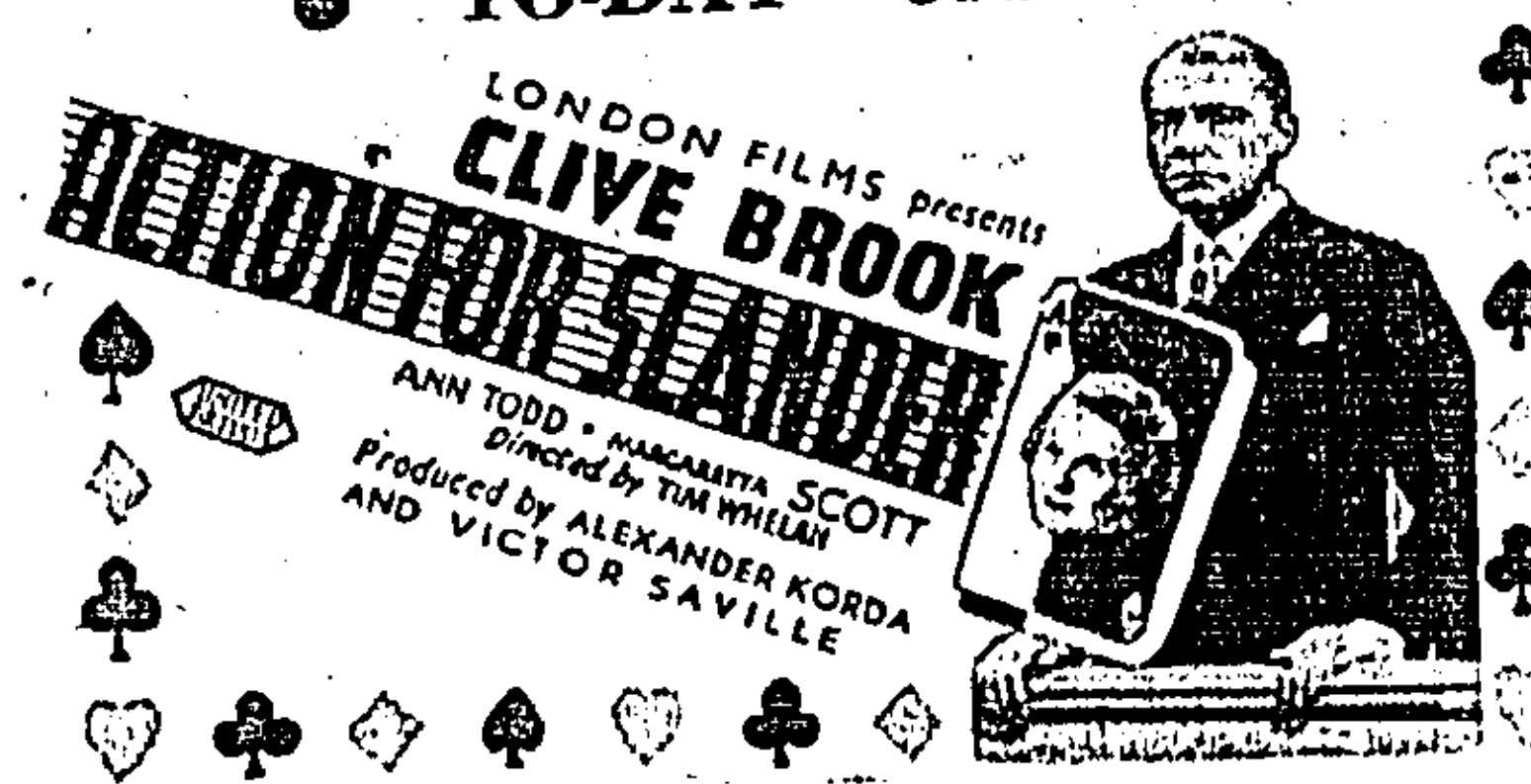
Attacks by German scouts on
French outposts have decreased. The
only activity on the Western Front
at present is shown by the sustained
artillery engagement between Ger-
man and French forces south of
Saarbrücken.

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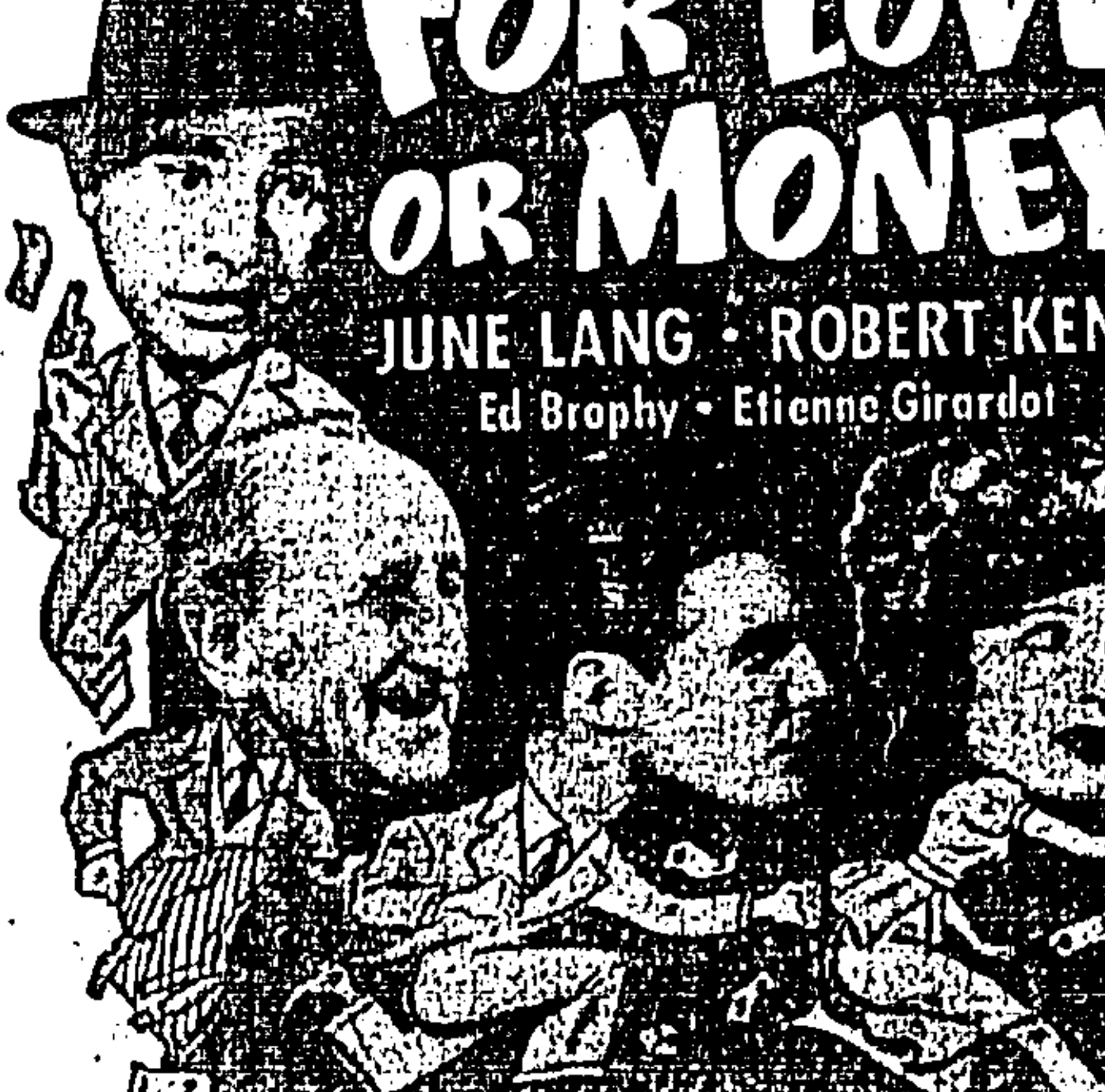
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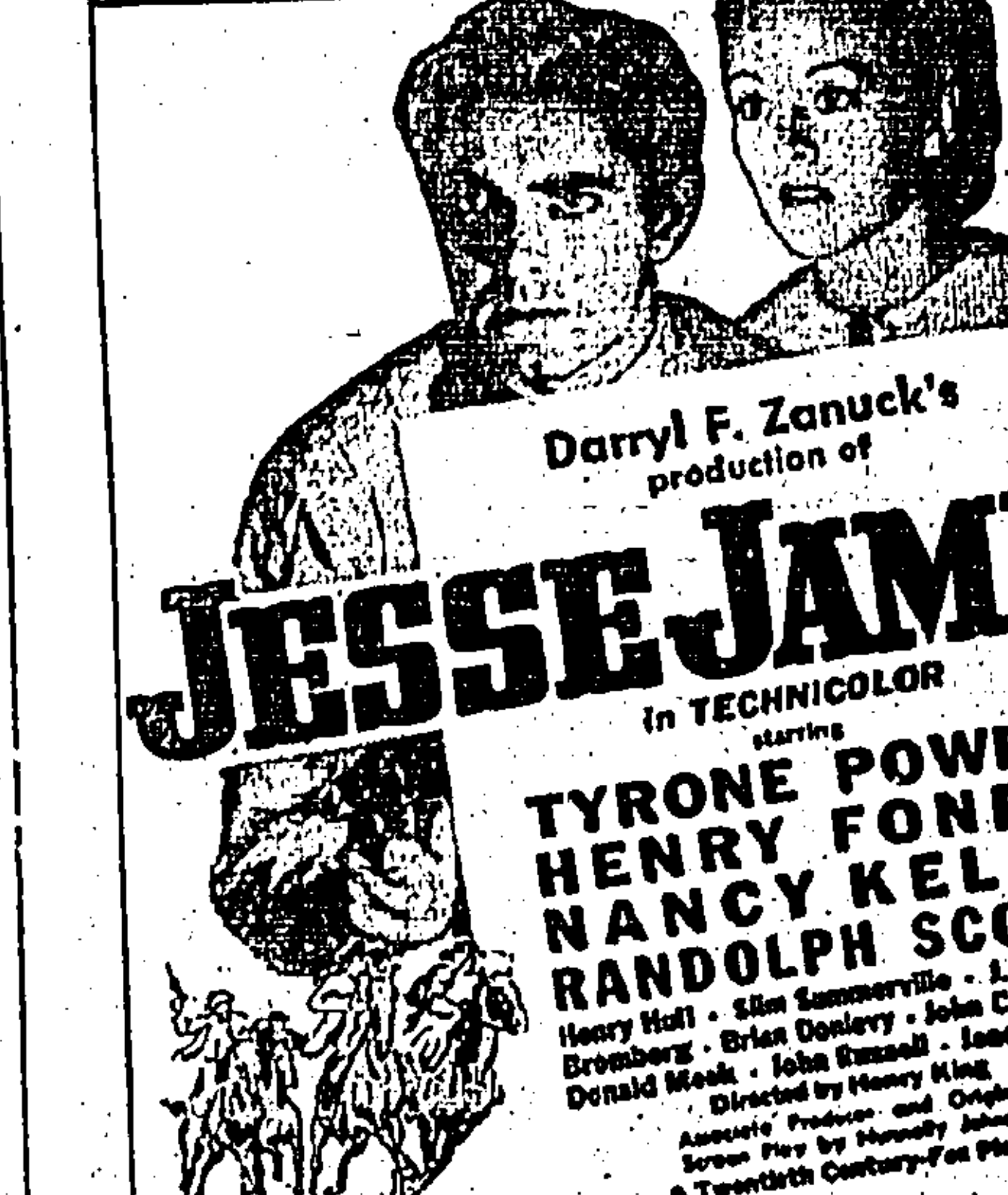
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